

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 14th August, 2022



8.00am – Sung Eucharist Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince Hymns: TIS 106 (ii), 609, 498, 622

<u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Trinity Band and Singers Hymns: TIS 181, 235, 239, 643

[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.

COMING TO CHURCH TO LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE

I wonder if you've ever thought of the Christian life as a process of learning how to speak a new language. As children, we learn by hearing our parents and other adults speak, then imitating the sounds we hear. Last year, I was delighted to hear my fiveyear-old granddaughter singing, while she was playing with Barbie dolls, "Gaudete, Gaudete, Christus est natus, ex Maria Virgine, Gaudete." That's Latin for "Rejoice, rejoice, Christ is born of the Virgin Mary, rejoice!" She had been listening to a YouTube recording of "The King's Singers" singing that ancient carol. I explained to her what the words meant. That process continues in a more structured way when we start going to school. There we learn the principles of grammar, parts of speech and so on.

It's the same in learning the Christian faith: it's "caught" rather than "taught". We learn what it means to be followers of Jesus by observing how others in the Church behave, speak, and relate to each other. We all have a part to play in learning and developing our facility in this language. Formal teaching, in Sunday school, Bible studies, sermons, etc., ideally clarifies what we have "picked up" through being with other Christians and interacting with them.

A major challenge in our world today, is speaking in a way that makes sense to a secular culture that has by and large forgotten or never learned to speak our distinctive language. I don't mean "churchy" words and technical theological terms, but a language that describes a world in which God is active and involved in our lives. Canon John B. Thomson, who visited Australia from the United Kingdom a few years ago, has written in his book, *Church on Edge?*, "...having found that folk around us no longer immediately understand what we are on about, we have lost confidence in the language we speak. Hence the pressure has been upon us to forget the place and character of our mother tongue as Christians ..." (p.16) He suggests that this loss of confidence has made us feel "tongue-tied" or unable to speak our language in a strange and sometimes hostile environment. Language is only of value when used in communication with others. John Thomson says that, therefore, "languages require communities in order to emerge and develop. Furthermore ... these communities need to be conscious of how their identity informs the way the language is spoken" (p.23). Each day of the week, we learn the language of a secular culture shaped by consumerism. Then we come to church and hear a different language spoken. Actively belonging to a worshipping Christian community is vital to learning this language and developing confidence in speaking it fluently. "Gathering to worship is about undergoing a grammatical check to ensure that we are speaking properly. Without gathering to worship our language slips into an increasingly dislocated slang prey to other vocal influences, which we may not be alert to" (p.24).

In our day-to-day activities, the difference between the language of our culture and the language of the kingdom of God is that between, for example, "Good luck" and "God bless you"; between speech that sees the mighty rather than the meek as blessed; between speech that sees the hoarding of material goods or "storing up treasure in heaven" as the goal of life; that focuses on the immediate and the short-term as opposed to the ultimate and the eternal. Language reveals our identity as citizens of this world or citizens of God's reign.

Fr Mark

<u>Sentence</u>

'Is not my word like fire,' says the Lord, 'and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?'

Jeremiah 23.29

Prayer of the Day

Everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that, forsaking sin and all that hinders us, we may run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Jeremiah Chapter 23 verses 23 - 29

Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 82

1 God has stood up in the council of heaven: in the midst of the gods he gives judgement.

2 'How long will you judge unjustly: and favour the cause of the wicked?

- 3 'Judge for the poor and fatherless: vindicate the afflicted and oppressed.
- 4 'Rescue the poor and needy: and save them from the hands of the wicked.
- 5 'They do not know, they do not understand, they walk about in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 'Therefore I say, "Though you are gods: and all of you children of the Most High,
- 7 "Nevertheless you shall die like a mortal: and fall like one of the princes."
- 8 Arise, O God, and judge the earth: for you shall take all nations as your possession.

A Reading from the Letter of the Hebrews Chapter 11, verse 29 – Chapter 12 verse 2.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

> Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord: I know them and they know me.

Alleluia!

The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, Chapter 12, verses 49 - 59.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

'And why do you not judge for yourselves what is right? Thus, when you go with your accuser before a magistrate, on the way make an effort to settle the case, or you may be dragged before the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and the officer throw you in prison. I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the very last penny.'

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

Please pray for:

Shirley Kearns, Sharon Sandstrom, Angarad O'Malley, Tania Howlett, David Lamb, Gloria Townsend, Irene Neville, Denise Perry, Ron Langley, Michelle Davies, Jo, Ray Wilmot, Steve Taylor, Lynette Brennan, Di. M, Jeannie Hilton, Robyn Smith, Carmen McGee and Bob Morgan.

Prayer of the Week

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always thankfully receive the benefits of his sacrifice, and also daily endeavour to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Offertories via Direct Debit

Offering via direct debit. Direct debit details of account: ASDF Account: Parish of Terrigal, BSB:705-077 Account Number: 00040934 Terry Rowe, Treasurer.

WHISPERS OF LOVE' A MEDITATION

We meet each Monday at Holy Trinity Terrigal at 10.00am.

Reflection: Without some quiet reflection, some solitude and stillness, our inner eyes will eventually be too blurred and weary to discover God in the rushing of our demanding days. *Prayer Joyce Rupp*

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

SAFE MINISTRY Safe Church

The Church of the Holy Trinity is committed, with the Diocese of Newcastle, to being a place of safety and transparency. This includes the imperative to be open and transparent as members of the church and, by extension, with the community at large, including Terrigal and surrounding areas of the Central Coast. Jesus Christ gave us two Great Commandments: that we should love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and that we should love our neighbours as yourselves. At Holy Trinity, we are called through our baptism to proclaim by our words and by our lives the Good News of God's love to the world. The Holy Spirit dwelling in our hearts empowers us to show Christ's love to all. Churches have in many ways shown the love of Christ by building hospitals, schools, caring for the poor, counselling the troubled, standing with the needy and marginalised. They have at times also failed to obey the two commandments and even, at times, behaved in ways that are completely opposed to them.

As a community bound in love through the work of the Holy Spirit, we are called, as members of the Body of Christ, to take responsibility in ensuring the safety of our church members and the community at large.

Volunteers make a significant contribution to the mission and ministry of the Diocese. The Diocese is committed to providing an environment that is safe for all persons who volunteer in the Diocese. To ensure the safety and security of all members of the community, we require people in positions of responsibility, both staff and volunteers, to complete a number of appropriate checks. For example, there are systems in place such as regular Safe Ministry Training, Working with Children Checks and the National Police Check.

In the coming days, depending on their role, members may be asked to read, and signify their agreement to *Being Together* (August 2019, yearly), and *Faithfulness in Service* (August 2019, yearly) as well as other checks and training as per the *Volunteer and other Church Workers Policy and Procedure,* which is designed to provide clear guidance for the recruitment, screening, training and effective management of volunteers and to enhance the positive contribution that volunteers make.

It includes the following:

- \cdot Identifying and Categorising Volunteers Roles
- \cdot Safe Ministry Screening and Documentation Requirements

- · Volunteer Engagement Process
- \cdot The Volunteer Register
- · Managing Additional Volunteers Roles
- · Resources for Parishes and Volunteers

As volunteers you will be informed of the details as they become available. It will take some time to complete but will also enhance and improve the process of making the Church a safe place.

Fr Mark Watson

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 during winter.

Thank you.

RESUMPTION OF WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST AND SACRED READING

At the beginning of winter this group decided to close for the winter and resume in August. This winter has been a very cold and dark time. With this in mind we have postponed the resumption until Wednesday 7 September at 5.00pm for the Eucharist followed by Sacred Reading for approximately an hour. Both events are open to everyone. You are welcome to attend one and not the other if that suits your circumstances.

Is God asking you to participate in these events to enable you to grow further in your spiritual life and relationship with God through Jesus and the work of the Holy Spirit in your life? The requirements to participate in Sacred Reading is an openness to God's Word and a Bible from which you can read the Gospel for the following Sunday Eucharist.

Fr. Roy

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR ROSTER CO-ORDINATION

We 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. Please see Fr Mark or call Cal in the office on Tuesday or Thursday on 4365 1115 or email her at <u>admin@terrigalanglican.org.au</u> if you are interested in volunteering for this role. Thank you.

OP SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for more volunteers for our Op Shop on Thursday and Friday. Can you spare a few hours? We would be most grateful. Op Shop volunteers need to complete a Police Check and the Safer Ministry Course, along with some other requirements prior to commencement. If you are interested in joining our lovely team, please see one of our managers, Carolyn Shields or Julie Laird, in the Op Shop or call them on 4365 1280 for more details.

MARKET DAY - 20th AUGUST

Market day is coming up on the 20th August. Once again, we will need all the help we can get when setting up on Friday 19th August and especially when packing away and clearing up on Saturday. If you can come at 12.30pm for an hour on Saturday to pack up, we would love to see you. Your help is always appreciated. Thank you.

Ian Wolstenholme.

CHILDREN AT RISK – HOW TO IDENTIFY AND WHAT TO DO

We encourage all staff, volunteers and parishioners to be vigilant about children at risk of harm. To learn more about what this looks like and what to do, please visit: <u>https://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/families/Protecting-</u> <u>kids/reporting-child-at-risk/harm-and-neglect</u> Thank you.

ANGLICAN WOMEN

All women in the parish are welcome to attend the annual Spring Celebration of the Anglican Women of Australia on Tuesday 6th September, to be held at St Peter's East Maitland commencing with morning tea at 9.30am followed by a Eucharist at 10.30am and a talk by a speaker from ABM on the Literacy and Numeracy program in PNG after that.

The money collected in the Thank You boxes and pouches goes towards this program.

Do speak to Pam Flegg and other members of the Women's Fellowship group if you want more information. More details are also in the brochure on the notice board.

FAITHFULNESS IN SERVICE

It is our duty of care to make sure the Faithfulness in Service document is accessible to all staff, volunteers and families. As such, here is the link to the full document:

https://www.newcastleanglican.org.au/wp-

content/uploads/2020/08/Faithfulness-in-Service-Anglican-Diocese-of-Newcastle-July-2020.pdf

We have also printed the full document which you can find in a folder on the table at the entrance to the main chapel. We have also printed off several smaller booklets if you would like to take one home with you. If there are none left, please call Cal in the office on 4365 1115 on Tuesday or Thursday between 10am and 2pm or email the office at: <u>admin@terrigalanglican.org.au</u> to get one printed for you. Thank you.

ONE USE PLASTIC BAGS FOR OP SHOP

Due to new laws on one-use plastics, when donating bags to the Op Shop or Market Day, we cannot accept thin ones that are one-use bags. Please don't donate them as they will have to go to landfill and will cost us to dispose of them. Thank you. Carolyn Shields.

MISSION NEWS

What happened to the beanies??

Last Friday Richard and I visited the Mission to Seafarers in Newcastle. We took with us over 350 beanies, 30 pairs of socks, a box of toiletries and 4 boxes of Bibles that have come through the Op Shop.

We had a tour of the premises and a chat to the manager. The seafarers are gradually coming ashore and visiting the centre. Many of the ships still won't let their crew off the ship as Australia is considered a COVID unsafe port.

The mission is taking Care Bags onto the ships. These contain beanies, socks, toiletries, other clothes and chocolate among other things. They love the chocolates!

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GIFTS OF LOVE. THEY ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY THE SEAFARERS.

Libby Harvey

MISSION SECRETARY

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.

GARDEN WORKING BEE

Saturday 27th August, 2022 at 8:30am

Please come & help if you can. We need help with weeding, raking, fertilizing, pruning etc.

We would like to have a BEE every month on the last Saturday. The next one would be Saturday 24th September, 2022.

Thank you. Jackie Davidson



Ordinary Sunday 20C [Pentecost 10] -Sunday 14 August 2022

• Isaiah 5.1-7; Psalm 80.1-2, 8-19; Hebrews 11.29 – 12.2; Luke 12.49-59

St Luke reports the advice Jesus gives us about settling with an opponent. Of course, not every argument ends up in a court case, but it is wise advice: any argument can end up backfiring and it is better to be sensible and come to an agreement.

• Jesus Christ, Judge of all, help me to avoid conflict lest I should end up hurt as well as those with whom I argue. Teach me to pursue solutions, not create problems.

• Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Central Africa, remembering especially the work of the Zambia Anglican Council.

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Next Sunday – 21st August, 2022 ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

<u>8.00am</u> – Sung Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince

<u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Sharon Sandstrom

Readings: Isaiah 58.9b-14, Psalm 103.1-8, Hebrews 12.18 – 29

Gospel: Luke 13.10 – 17

<u>Rosters for next week 19th and 21st August</u> <u>– Tenth Sunday after Pentecost</u>

Friday 19th August 10.30am Eucharist

Reader

Catherine Taylor

Sunday 21st August

Flowers

Margaret MacLachlan

8.00am Eucharist

Readers	Servers
1 st – Chris Sillince	Ronda & -
2 nd – Chris Sillince	

9.30am Eucharist

Readers	Servers	9.30am Morning Tea
1 st – Pam Hammond	Ronda & -	Evelyn White
2 nd – Baxton Culshaw		Marie Partier

This Week

Monday 15th August

MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD **10.00am** – Whispers of Love – a meditation [Revd. Ann Watson] **3.00pm** – Eucharist at Terrigal Manor [Revd. Ann Watson]

Tuesday 16th August

7.00pm – Trinity Band and Singers Rehearsal

Wednesday 17th August

Thursday 18th August

Friday 19th August

10.30am – Holy Eucharist [Fr Mark Watson]
Readings: Ezekiel 37.1 -14, Psalm 107.1 – 9,
Gospel: Matthew 22.34 – 40
11.00am – Morning Tea

Saturday 20th August

Bernard of Clairvaux, abbot and teacher (d. 1153) 8.00am – 1.00pm – Market Day The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle - The Parish of Terrigal The Church of the Holy Trinity 92 Serpentine Rd, Terrigal, 2260 Parish Postal Address – P.O. Box 167, Terrigal, 2260 Office Phone: 4365 1115 (Office open Tuesday and Thursday 10am – 2pm)

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> Parish Opportunity Shop Carolyn Shields/Julie Laird - 4365 1280

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