

# Mary, Mother of our Lord 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021

# WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF TAREE

And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger. Luke 2. 7



# Weekly Services Taree & Old Bar. ST JOHN'S – 294 Victoria St. Taree

St 8am - SUNDAY

💱 4pm - SUNDAY

OUR LADY OF FATIMA – 18 Hall St. Old Bar

😏 11am - SUNDAY

#### **QR CODING & MASKS ARE REQUIRED. Thank You**

PLEASE NOTE.....

**COVID HOTSPOTS** – Please do not attend if you have returned from a confirmed hotspot within the last 14 days.

SERVICE NUMBERS - are limited to 70 worshippers at St Johns Taree & 40 at Old Bar.

#### **HEALTH** -

- Do not attend if you are feeling unwell.
- Do not attend if you have been in contact with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 14 days.



For further details regarding our COVID-19 safety plan, please visit our Diocesan Website: newcastleanglican.org.au/ corona-virus-response. Thank you for your understanding as we implement COVID Safe worship practices.

PARISH CONTACTS:					
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PARISH OFFICE	Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 - 12 midday. Ph: 6551 3849				
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#### ST MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

Sunday 15 August 2021

Isaiah 61.10-62.3; Psalm 113; Galatians 4.4-7; Luke 2.1-7

Again St Paul tells us about God having adopted us to be God's children. This means that we are no longer slaves but rather heirs of the promises made to those who are God's children. How wonderful that we have a God who treats us not with disdain, but rather with the intimacy that should exist between a dad ('Abba') and his child.



Like the Blessed Virgin Mary, may we bring Christ to birth in our own time and place.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, the Anglican Church of Hong Kong.

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## Z Priest's Ponderings

Today's gospel is not the first we hear of Mary. She was a young girl, probably only about 12 or 13 years old when the angel Gabriel came to her.

Mary was an ordinary Jewish girl, looking forward to marriage. Suddenly her life changed forever. Fearful and troubled, Mary found herself listening to his announcement. She could never have expected to hear the most incredible news — her son would be the Messiah. Although she could not comprehend how she would conceive the Saviour, she responded to God with humble belief and obedience. Although Mary's calling held great honour, it would demand great suffering too. There would be disgrace, as an unwed mother, she nearly lost her fiancé, and could be stoned to death. There would be pain in childbirth, as well as privilege of being the mother of the Messiah.

She may not have imagined the pain of watching her beloved child bear the weight of sin and die a terrible death on the cross. Mary was to only human being to be with Jesus the Messiah throughout his entire life, from birth to death.

*Reflection: Am I like Mary, willing to accept God's plan no matter the cost?* 

BLUE CROSS

COMMUNITY CARE

Your Gifts can make such

a difference in others lives.

If you would like to donate non perishable

Small Toothpaste & individual Toothbrushes

Canned & long-life foods with ring pull lids are the best, small to medium size.

Please **NO** large containers and **ALL** food must be "in date". Thank You

items here are a few suggestions.

Cereal small size box (NO oats)

Spreads (Jam, Vegemite etc.)

◊ Pasta & Pasta Sauce

Small packets of Tea Bags

Small containers of Coffee

2 minute noodles

◊ Long life milk/Juice

Dry Biscuits (Sao's etc)

o Baked Beans & Spaghetti

◊ Rice or Corn Cakes

Meats

◊ Soups

◊ Tuna/Salmon

◊ Fruit

Fr Bill

### **PRAYERS:**

**WORLD**: People & communities affected by violence & conflict, racism & discrimination, oppression, poverty, natural disasters. We pray for those experiencing the impacts of COVID19, especially the people of Indonesia & their families here in Australia.

**CHURCH:** Bishop Peter, Assistant Bps Sonia & Charlie; Linda Wilson; Newcastle Grammar School - Erica Thomas (Head of School); The Parish of Toronto -Melanie Whalley, The Ministry Team.

The Church of Ireland; Extra Provincial Dioceses (Ceylon, Cuba, Bermuda, Lusitania, Spain and Falkland Islands). Diocese of North Queensland (Bp Keith Joseph).

We pray for our parish in our exploration of ways to engage in relationship with the community around us.

**COMMUNITY:** For those affected by natural disasters, homelessness, unemployment & those experiencing fear, anxiety, and loss.

**THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS:** Carol Hogg, Margaret McDonald, Dorothy Kirk, Samantha Entwhistle, Marge Levick, Laurie Robertson & Audrey Griffits.

#### PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:

**ANNIVERSARY:** Joan Paff, Audrey Laddell & Bruce Blogg.



Please Note: 
•People's names will be included in the prayer list for only the current calendar month.

•To place people on the prayer list you must have their permission first.

•Prayer request forms are available at the back of the church.



Would you like to bless a child by packing a shoebox with gift; this an opportunity to show God's love in a tangible way.

If you would like to participate please contact Jan Carrington on 6553 7972 who will provide you with a box & further information. Boxes will be collected at the end of September.

The Anglican Parish of Taree works to build Faith & Hope in our community despite the struggles around us. Your help to continue this work is essential so please give what you can.

Gifts can be offered for the Parish or for Mission in 2 ways:

- Directly into the appropriate baskets before or after each service OR
- By Electronic Funds Transfer

Many People are finding that this is an easy, fuss free way to maintain their support. Donations this way can be easily arranged by speaking to your bank directly or set it up through internet banking.

Bank: Westpac

Branch: Taree NSW

Account Name: St John's General Account

BSB: 032-587

Account Number: 120 816

Reference: Parish or Mission recipient eg: ABM

Some give freely yet grow all the richer; others withhold what is due, and only suffer want. A generous person will be enriched, and one who gives water will get water. Proverbs 11:24-25

# FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY
22nd August	Tuesday	10.00am	Fundraising Meeting - Latham Centre
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Wednesday	7.00pm	Parish Council - Latham Centre
2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Tuesday		Melbourne Cup Luncheon
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Saturday		Volunteers Lunch
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Sunday		Lessons & Carols
12 <sup>th</sup> -20th December	Sunday to Monday		Festival of Christmas Trees

#### READINGS - 22ND AUGUST 2021 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

1 Kings 8. 22-30, 41-43; Psalm 84; Ephesians 6. 10-20; John 6. 56-69.

READERS					
Sunday 15th August		Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August			
8am	4pm	8am	4pm		
Janella Leotta	Ken Park	Robert Hicks	Fr Ivan Ransom		
WELCOMERS					
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> August		Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> August		
8am	4pm	8am	4pm		
1. Di Woollard 2. Ian Woollard 3. Fiona Tinney	1. Beryl Fenwick	<ol> <li>Heather Strangwidge</li> <li>David Denning</li> <li>Fiona Tinney</li> </ol>	1. Fiona Tinney		

If you can help with these important roles please contact us on – PHONE – 6551 3849 EMAIL - <u>officestjohnstaree@gmail.com</u>

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### THE BLUE CROSS SHOP ...

Caring for our Community & our Environment Part of the Anglican Parish of Taree - 43 Manning St, Taree

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## CURRENT OPENING HOURS ARE – Monday – Friday 10am – 3pm & Saturday – 10am – 2pm

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEED NOW!!!!! - (Ladies & Gentlemen)

There are currently vacancies in the retail area at the front of the shop or assisting with sorting out the back. We aim to provide a respectful, caring work environment for those wishing to join us in supporting our Parish and our Community.

The Blue Cross Shop is blessed with a wonderful team of Volunteers, but many hands make light work.

So, if you feel that this might be something you might enjoy please speak to Margaret Griffis the Volunteer Coordinator, Fiona Tinney or Kim in the Parish Office on 6551 3849.

We look forward to hearing from you.

