



WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF TAREE




Weekly Services - Taree & Old Bar.

ST JOHN'S – 294 Victoria St. Taree

 **8am - SUNDAY**

 **4pm - SUNDAY**

OUR LADY OF FATIMA – 18 Hall St. Old Bar

 **11am - SUNDAY**

QR CODING IS REQUIRED.

PLEASE NOTE.....

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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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. Please pray for the people of Afghanistan, Myanmar & Papua New Guinea.

CHURCH: Bishop Peter, Assistant Bps Sonia & Charlie; Glen Cousins, Jane Dumsa, Terese Innes, Megan Moffat, Zoe Williams, Rebecca Hudson; Samaritans Foundation - David Hesketh; Parish of Telarah & Rutherford - Sarah Dulley; Parish of Wollombi Valley - John West (Locum).

Diocese of Rockhampton (Bp Peter Grice).

The Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Baptist Church.

We pray for our parish as we explore further ways to engage with our community .

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

THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS: John, Joan, Audrey Griffiths, Ian, Anne, Alex Platt, Fr Stuart Benson, Duncan Futter, Margaret McDonald, Samantha Entwistle, Beryl Fenwick, Di Woollard & Laurie Robertson.

PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED: Ray Burns.

ANNIVERSARY: Anthony Davies, Lindsay Riley, Joyce Rudge & Leila Davis.

PP's 19th December

Today we remember Mary the Mother of Jesus. Do you remember the Magnificat?

In it Mary is saying God is treating her the way He has always treated His people. He is keeping His covenant promise. Rather than choosing the mighty and powerful, God picks the poor and lowly to bring about His plans. "His mercy is on those who fear Him, from generation to generation" (Luke 1:50).

It reminds us of the end of 2nd Commandment. "The Lord will show mercy to thousands, to those who Love Me and keep My commandments" (Ex. 20:6).

Psalm 103:17, "The mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting, on those who fear Him." This shows us how we may be assured of our salvation, and how we may be assured of our children's salvation — by teaching them to fear God. This is why God chooses the poor and lowly. Again, we learn that God resists the proud but favours the humble (James 4:6). And this is how God has always worked. He worked this way with Mary. He worked this way with Israel. He works this way with us.

Fr Bill

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS



Anglican Church Parish of Taree
 294 Victoria Street
 Taree

Friday 24th December
 Saturday 25th December
 Sunday 26th December

2021 Christmas Service Times

- Christmas Eve Family Service - 6pm @ St Johns
- Christmas Day - 9am @ St Johns
- Sunday after Christmas -
 - ◆ 8am @ St Johns
 - ◆ 4pm @ St Johns
 - ◆ 11am @ Our Lady of Fatima, Old Bar

For more information please call the Parish Office - Phone 6551 3849 or Email: officestjohnstaree@gmail.com



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Micah 5.2-5a; For the Psalm Song of Mary; Hebrews 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-45 (46-55)

Today's readings highlight what for me is the essence of Christianity: That Jesus came to save us, particularly the lowly, downtrodden and insignificant - that is, you and me. Sometimes I think we (and the powers that be in all aspects of life) place too much emphasis on who we are, where we fit in society and how important someone (us included) might be. Jesus and Mary both epitomise the humblest of origins, insignificant in the wider world. We should remember this - we have been chosen by God to represent his values on this earth and live our lives to be an example of his love.

Pray that we may always act to reflect God's love.

Text: Anne Marie Troutman - Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans © Anglican Board of Mission.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS APPEAL

2021 Envelopes are available at the back of the church or you can go to their website:

www.abmission.org/Christmas2021

to make your donation.



A future of hope

DON'T FORGET TO GRAB A LAST MINUTE GIFT!!!!
 FROM OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS STALL
 after Church on TODAY.



HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

SUNDAY 19th December– 4th Sunday in Advent	SUNDAY 26th December– 1st Sunday after Christmas
Micha 5. 2-5a; Psalm: Song of Mary	Micha 5. 2-5a; Psalm: Song of Mary
Hebrews 10. 5-10; Luke 1. 39-45	Hebrews 10. 5-10; Luke 1. 39-45

WELCOMERS			READERS	
Sunday 19 th December				
8am	Doreen Sinclair	Bruce Walker	Fiona Tinney	Sandra Langford
4pm	Fiona Tinney			Ken Park
Friday 24 th December – Christmas Eve				
6.30pm	David Denning	Fiona Tinney		Lyn Diessel
Saturday 25 th December – Christmas Day				
9am	Fiona Tinney			Margaret Griffis
Sunday 26 th December				
8am	Di Woollard	Ian Woollard	Fiona Tinney	Doreen Sinclair
4pm	Fiona Tinney			Fr Ivan Ransom

Thank you thank you thank you thank you thank you thank you

to all our great Parish Volunteers.

Please join us for a Volunteer Blessing & Thank you Service

@ St Johns Church

today @ 4pm Sunday 19th December 2021

Thank you thank you thank you thank you thank you thank you

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

The Anglican Church of Newcastle takes allegations of misconduct and abuse seriously.

We welcome and encourage everyone with concerns to come forward.

TO REPORT A CRIME TO NSW POLICE RING 131 444 or RING 000 IN AN EMERGENCY

TO CONTACT CHILD PROTECTION HELPLINE RING 132 111 or

TO CONTACT THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS DIRECTOR PLEASE CALL 1800 774 945

WRITE: Director of Professional Standards PO Box 494, Newcastle NSW 2300

EMAIL: dps@newcastleanglican.org.au

IF YOU NEED IMMEDIATE SUPPORT PLEASE CALL LIFELINE ON 13 11 14

