Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost 31st October 2021

WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF TAREE

Weekly Services Taree & Old Bar.

ST JOHN'S – 294 Victoria St. Taree

𝒱 8am - SUNDAY 𝒱 4pm - SUNDAY

OUR LADY OF FATIMA – 18 Hall St. Old Bar

😏 11am - SUNDAY

MORNING TEA RETURNS

at St Johns 8.00am service. Volunteers are needed to assist, please speak to Margaret Griffis. *Thank you*

PLEASE NOTE......MASKS ARE MANDATORY

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: <u>newcastleanglican.org.au/ corona-virus-response</u>. 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 in Afghanistan, Myanmar & Haiti.

CHURCH: Bishop Peter, Assistant Bps Sonia & Charlie; Diocesan Missions Committee, Diocesan Boards & Committees; Fresh Expressions & new ministries around the Diocese • New healing services • Family Services • Mainly Music • Messy Church • Cell of our Lady of Walsingham • Youth Ministries; The Synod & Synod officers; Lambeth Conference.

The Outback Fund – The National Home Mission Fund, other mission agencies supported by the Diocese (including Bible Society and SPCKA).

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: Jett Bennet, Audrey Griffits, Sue Blunt, Bill Tass, Fr Stuart Benson, Duncan Futter, Alex Platt, Steven Platt, Margaret McDonald, Samantha Entwhistle & Laurie Robertson.

PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED: Mavis Collins

ANNIVERSARY: Kenneth Blair, Douglas Sutherland & Barry Cooling.

PP's 31st October

Yet again the Gospel talks about the importance of the first two commandments -

'The first is, you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Mark 12:29-32

As we consider the Commandments, they seem like a good place to start our Christian journey. In short – *LOVE GOD & LOVE OTHERS*.

Sounds fairly easy, how do you measure up to this?

How do you show your love for God?

How do you extend your love to others & who might they be?

Perhaps you do these through Prayer, Church, Faithfulness, giving financially or giving of yourself? Do you offer care, help and support, perhaps understanding, patience or maybe just finding time to listen?

Do you offer all this to those close to you, family, friends, colleagues, or people in the community? How do you balance the who, what, where and when?

These questions are yours to consider and I encourage you to take some time to think about how you extend God's love, perhaps you might be surprised.

Blessings Fr Peter



REPARING FOR CHRISTA

ADVENT STUDY

Join us for a weekly chat about this year's Advent Study – "Songs from a Strange Land" Books available **NOW** for \$15.00. Money raised goes to the Anglican Board of Mission

- Monday 28th November
 @ 11am in the Latham Centre
- Tuesday 29th November
 @ 7pm on ZOOM





START PLANNING A TREE FOR YOURSELF, YOUR BUSINESS, YOUR COMMUNITY GROUP.

The display will be open from Monday 13th - Sunday 19th December 10am - 3pm. Entry is by gold coin donation. Come & Enjoy this wonderful display & vote for your favourite tree.

A FESTIVE START TO YOUR CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

Christmas Raffle To give us a bit of extra fundraising Dollars we have decided to do a Christmas Raffle.

> 1st Prize will be a CHRISTMAS HAMPER.

If you would like to donate some new Christmas Goodies to put into the Hamper that would be fantastic.

They can be left at the back of the Church until the end of November.

 DONATIONS NEEDED
 FOR OUR PARISH CHRISTMAS STALL

 The stall will run after Church on Sundays in December
 and at the Festival of the Trees.

 We hope to have lots of great Arts & Crafts to sell.
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HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

SUNDAY 31st October - Pentecost 23

Ruth 1. 1-18; Psalm 146

Hebrews 9. 11-15; Mark 12. 13-17, 28-34

SUNDAY 7th November - All Saints

Isaiah 25. 6-9; Psalm 24

Revelation 21. 1-6a; John 11. 32-44

WELCOMERS					
Sunday 31₅t October		Sunday 7 th November			
8am	Colin Rose David Denning Fiona Tinney	8am	Di Woollard Ian Woollard Fiona Tinney		
4pm	Beryl Fenwick Fiona Tinney	4pm	Beryl Fenwick Fiona Tinney		
READERS					
Sunday 31₅October		Sunday 7th November			
8am	Doreen Sinclair	8am	Janella Leotta		
4pm	Fr Ivan Ransom	4pm	Ken Park		

Christ Church Cathedral in Newcastle continues to share Morning & Evening Prayer daily as well as the Sunday & Wednesday Eucharist. Cathedral Services Link www.newcastleanglican.org.au/streamed-church-services/ ABIR BOARD OF MISSION - Austra Morking for Love. More & Justi

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Our gospel reading today challenges us about honesty and truth in the two stories we read. Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, or in

today's language, the services that we use, debts we accumulate, State and Federal laws, especially in this Covid pandemic. We live in a very materialistic society, 'It'll be right, mate!'.

Honestly? May our attitude towards managing our finances be one of honesty and truth, and give to God the things that are God's. Honesty and truth are also high priorities in our relationship with God. There are many gods in our materialistic world. How can we be absolutely certain God is first in our lives and neighbours (other people) second? Jesus has much to teach us about our neighbours.

Solution Loving God, thank you for your presence with us every day, teaching us how to live honestly and truthfully in the many challenges we encounter. Amen.

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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