

# WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF TAREE



## Sunday Services - Taree & Old Bar

**ST JOHN'S**  
294 Victoria St. Taree

**9am - SUNDAY**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
18 Hall St. Old Bar

**11am - SUNDAY**

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## PRIESTS PONDERINGS - PENTECOST

*And in the last days it shall be, God declares,  
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams..... (Acts 2:17)*

*The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound,  
but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes.  
So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” (John 3:8)*

Today we celebrate the wind of the Spirit and the fire of the Spirit, descending upon the disciples and giving birth to the church. These fragile followers of Christ are transformed into bold witnesses to the Gospel. From generation to generation, the Holy Spirit has sustained the church, renewed the church, guided the church, and empowered the church. Throughout history the fire of the Spirit has kindled true faith in the hearts of God's people and stirred them to run after the call of God. There is always a certain mystery in the working of the Spirit, so we approach this day of Pentecost in wonder, in awe. The disciples have been waiting together as the Lord instructed. Suddenly a mighty rushing wind fills the house and tongues of fire descend. In one sense, we might read the whole book of Acts as a narrative on the coming of the Spirit. When He comes, the weak speak out with great boldness, blind eyes are open to the truth, the enemies of God are transformed into friends, the body of Christ begins to move. When He comes, the love of Christ overflows among His people, and the world beholds the glory of God in Christ. At the end of Acts 2, we hear a great description of life in the Spirit. They were hearing the teaching of God's Word, breaking bread, praying, worshipping, giving, and sharing life together. At the same time, the Spirit was bearing witness in and through them of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Life glimmered with the light of God's love. This is a great picture of Pentecost. In the Old Testament, Pentecost is a celebration of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai. The law was God's gift to Israel because it was the wise rule of life that could teach them to become a community, a united people worshipping God together. They were becoming a holy people. In Paul's letters, we see communities that are struggling and being called to obedience. Obedience is continuing in Scripture and prayer and the Eucharist, but it is also fellowship. Spending time with God's people: eating together, sharing together, encouraging one another, and even laughing together. The Spirit is raising us up to love and serve in good times and in difficult times. He is raising us up as holy witnesses of the love of God in Christ Jesus.

*Fr Bill*



**WORLD:** People & communities affected by violence & conflict, racism & discrimination, oppression, poverty, natural disasters. We pray for those impacted by COVID19. Please pray for President Zelensky, the people of Ukraine, Aung San Suu Kyi & for the detained peoples of Myanmar, Lebanon, the Philippines & Papua New Guinea.

**CHURCH:** Bishop Peter, Assistant Bishops Sonia & Charlie; Cathy Rose; Anglican Care - Andrew Harrison, Jenny Foley; Retired Clergy.

The Scottish Episcopal Church.

Church Missionary Society.

**COMMUNITY:** For the homeless, and agencies supporting the vulnerable. For the victims of abuse and violence. For those affected by the impacts of COVID 19, floods & other challenges.

**THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS:** Diane, Vera, Joyce McMullen, Lyn, Ted Hill, Wendy McKeogh, Poppy, Don Mortimer, Hugh McCrindle, Norrie Spicer, Tennille, James, Judy Richardson, Anne, John, Jamison, Ian, Joan, April, Alex Platt, Margaret McDonald & Laurie Robertson.

**PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:**

**PRAYERS FOR ANNIVERSARIES:** John Clarke Jr, Christopher Darcy, Francis Hilderbrandt (Frank), Kath Barry, Olga Wright, Gordon Blyth & Di Rose.

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Sue Blunt will be held at St John's, Monday 29th May 2023 at 2pm followed by refreshments in the Hall.



**Your Gifts can make such a difference in others lives.**

If you would like to donate non perishable items here are a few suggestions.

- ◊ Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- ◊ 2 minute noodles
- ◊ Small packets of Tea Bags
- ◊ Small containers of Coffee
- ◊ Long life milk (full Cream)/Juice
- ◊ Small Toothpaste & individual Toothbrushes
- ◊ Cereal small size box (NO oats)
- ◊ Dry Biscuits (Sas's etc)
- ◊ Spreads (Jam, Vegemite etc.)
- ◊ Rice or Corn Cakes

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

- ◊ Baked Beans & Spaghetti
- ◊ Meats
- ◊ Soups
- ◊ Fruit
- ◊ Tuna/Salmon

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

If you would like to assist financially to this ministry you can place a donation in an envelope and mark Emergency Relief and place in the offertory basket.  
Thank you

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### SENTENCE:

'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me,' says the Lord; 'and let the one who believes in me drink. For out of your heart shall flow rivers of living water.' John 7.38

### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**Almighty God,  
at the feast of Pentecost  
you sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples,  
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:  
empower us with that same Spirit  
to witness to your redeeming love  
and draw all people to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

### *First Reading*

### *Numbers 11. 24-30*

A reading from the book of Numbers

24 So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord ; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. 25 Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. 26 Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. 27 And a young man ran and told Moses, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' 28 And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, 'My lord Moses, stop them!' 29 But Moses said to him, 'Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord 's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!' 30 And Moses and the elders of Israel returned to the camp. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine 'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and



they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm - 104. 26-36**

26 Lord, how various are your works:

**in wisdom you have made them all,  
and the earth is full of your creatures.**

27 There is the wide, immeasurable sea:

**there move living things without number, great and small;**

28 There go the ships, to and fro:

**and there is that Leviathan whom you formed to sport in the deep.**

29 These all look to you:

**to give them their food in due season.**

30 When you give it to them, they gather it:

**when you open your hand they are satisfied with good things.**

31 When you hide your face, they are troubled:

**when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.**

32 When you send forth your spirit they are created:

**and you renew the face of the earth.**

33 May the glory of the Lord endure for ever:

**may the Lord rejoice in his works.**

34 If he look upon the earth, it shall tremble:

**if he but touch the mountains, they shall smoke.**

35 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live:

**I will praise my God while I have any being.**

36 May my meditation be pleasing to him:

**for my joy shall be in the Lord.**

### **Second Reading**

**Acts 2.1-21**

#### ***A reading from the book of Acts***

1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they

were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' 13 But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine 'clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

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### ***Gospel Acclamation***

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

***Alleluia!***

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
Chapter 20 commencing at verse 19.

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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## HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

### SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> May – Day of Pentecost

Numbers 11: 24-30; Psalm 104. 26-36;

Acts 2. 1-21; John 20. 19-23

### SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> June – Trinity Sunday

Exodus 34.1-8; Psalm: Song of 3YM 29-34

2 Corinthians 13.11-14; Matthew 28.16-20

## WELCOMERS

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May		Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	
9am	Di Woollard Ian Woollard	9am	Bruce Walker David Denning
4pm	Beryl Fenwick	4pm	Beryl Fenwick

## READERS

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May		Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	
9am	Margaret Griffis	9am	Sandra Langford
4pm	Sue Prentice	4pm	Ken Park

## MORNING TEA

Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May		Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	
Lorraine + Bruce Monck		Margaret + Les Griffis	

## HYMNS - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May

TIS 405, 425, 420, 102

## BRASS CLEANING for May

Lorraine Yarad

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## DAY OF PENTECOST

Out of Egypt but now in the wilderness, the people complain to Moses that manna is not enough – they want meat. Moses complains to God about the burden of leadership and God says he will put some of his spirit on 70 elders to share out the responsibility. It happens and Moses is glad. This is also just what happened at Pentecost, and ever since – God's Spirit is given to all believers so that we can share in mission and ministry, and no one has to carry all the load. How good is that?!

- ◆ Thank God that his Spirit equips us all and pray that we may know and do our part.
- ◆ Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East

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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*

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

**We welcome and encourage everyone with concerns to come forward.**

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**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**

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