

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 6th August 2023

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$\mathsf{WELCOME}_{\mathsf{TO}\,\mathsf{THE}}\,\mathsf{PARISH}\,\mathsf{OF}\,\mathsf{TAREE}$



Sunday Services - Taree & Old Bar

ST JOHN'S 294 Victoria St. Taree

9am - SUNDAY

4pm - SUNDAY

OUR LADY OF FATIMA 18 Hall St. Old Bar

11am - SUNDAY

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DIARY DATES					
10 th August	10am	Mother Union	Latham Centre		
12 th August	2pm	Volunteers Afternoon Tea	Parish Hall		
15 th August	7pm	Parish Council	Latham Centre		
24 th August	10am	Old Bar Morning Tea	Village Café Old Bar		
27 th August	5.30pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall		

Priests Ponderings

Last year, while we were cowering in our shelters, avoiding Covid, life went on as usual in Sweden, where the Nobel Prize for Physics was awarded to three clever men who proved Albert Einstein wrong! The Nobel Prize in Physics 2022 was awarded jointly to Alain Aspect, John F. Clauser and Anton Zeilinger "for experiments with entangled photons, establishing the violation of Bell inequalities and pioneering quantum information science." John Bell and Albert Einstein had already proven that time works both backwards and forwards if one disregards the Second Law of Thermodynamics, but Nobel Prizes are not awarded posthumously. To many, the main advance is in Quantum Computing and Artificial Intelligence. We already use Quantum Mechanics in Bluetooth and Wi-Fi on our mobile phones and GPS in our cars.

But the important thing for churchgoers and believers is the question, "has God determined already, who are going to be saved", seeing as the Eternal is, well, Eternal - there at the beginning and the end. The Alpha and the Omega. The 'use of trying' is proving God's love for you and those who are blessed through you. Otherwise, like Schrödinger's cat, you wouldn't know what state you were in until one lifted the lid.

Philippians 2:12,13:

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Fr Ivan Ransom



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; Paula Trood, Mychelle Gumbleton; Scone Grammar School - Paul Smart; Parish of Bateau Bay - Bruce Perry, Kathy Dunstan, The Ministry Team; Parish of Gosford - Stephen Williams, Jim Innes; Anglican Men's Network.

Diocese of Bendigo (Bp Matt Brain).

The Episcopal Church of Brazil; The Anglican Church of Southern Africa .

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. The First Peoples of the Diocese especially the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Geawegal, Kamilaroi, Worimi & Wonnarua peoples.

THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS: Coralie, Diane, Vera, Joyce McMullen, Lyn, Ted Hill, Wendy McKeogh, Poppy, Hugh McCrindle, Norrie Spicer, Tennille, James, Anne, John, Jamison, Ian, Joan, Alex Platt & Margaret McDonald.

PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:

PRAYERS FOR ANNIVERSARIES: John Avery, Beryl Pomplun, Joan North, Trevor Laidlaw & Lynette Bernasconi.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK:

Almighty God, whose beloved Son for our sake willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross: give us courage and patience to take up our cross daily and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

SENTENCE:

The Lord is near to all who call on him in truth. He fulfils the desire of all that fear him, hears their cry, and saves them. *Psalm 145.18–19*

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, giver of life and health, whose Son Jesus Christ has called us to hunger and thirst for justice: refresh us with your grace, that we may not be weary in well-doing, for the sake of him who meets all our needs, Jesus Christ our Saviour; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

Genesis 32.22-31

A reading from the book of Genesis

22 The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. 23 He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. 24 Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. 25 When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. 26 Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' 27 So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' 28 Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob.' but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' 29 Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. 30 So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' 31 The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 17.1-7, 17.16

Hear my just cause, O Lord, give heed to my cry:
 listen to my prayer, that comes from no lying lips.

- 2 Let judgement for me come forth from your presence: and let your eyes discern the right.
- 3 Though you search my heart, and visit me in the night-time: though you try me by fire, you will find no wickedness in me.
- 4 My mouth does not transgress, like the mouth of others: for I have kept the word of your lips.
- 5 My steps have held firm in the way of your commands: and my feet have not stumbled from your paths.
- 6 I call upon you, O God, for you will surely answer: incline your ear to me, and hear my words.
- 7 Show me the wonders of your steadfast love,
 O saviour of those who come to you for refuge:
 who by your right hand deliver them
 from those that rise up against them.
- 16 And I also shall see your face, because my cause is just: when I awake and see you as you are, I shall be satisfied.

Second Reading

Romans 9.1–16

A reading from the book of Romans

1 I am speaking the truth in Christ-I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit- 2 I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. 3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. 4 They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the alory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; 5 to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen. 6 It is not as though the word of God had failed. For not all Israelites truly belong to Israel, 7 and not all of Abraham's children are his true descendants; but 'It is through Isaac that descendants shall be named after you.' 8 This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as descendants. 9 For this is what the promise said, 'About this time I will return and Sarah shall have a son.' 10 Nor is that all; something similar happened to Rebecca when she had conceived children by one husband, our ancestor Isaac. 11 Even before they had been born or had done anything good or bad (so that God's purpose of election might continue, 12 not by works but by his call) she was told, 'The elder shall serve the younger.'13 As it is written, 'I have loved Jacob, but I have hated Esau.' 14 What then are we to say? Is there injustice on God's part? By no means! 15 For he says to Moses, 'I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion.' 16 So it depends not on human will or exertion, but on God who shows mercy.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, and to proclaim liberty to captives.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 14. 13-21

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Matthew Chapter 14 commencing at verse 13.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

13 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. 14 When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. 15 When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' 16 Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' 17 They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' 18 And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' 19 Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the them to crowds. 20 And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. 21 And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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Tuesday mornings @ 11.30am

and

Wednesday evenings @ 7pm

in the

Latham Centre Taree

For more information contact Reverend Natalie

The Old Bar congregation invite you to join them for Morning Tea @10am Thursday 24th August, 2023 Village Café Shops 2 & 3 47 Old Bar Road, Old Bar



Thank Man

I would like to sincerely thank everyone for my special morning tea last Sunday to start my retirement.

Your beautiful words, my lovely gifts of a Chrystal vase, casserole dish and decorative cross will be truly treasured.

I look forward to continuing to support the Parish were ever is required.

Thank you once again Love Kim (Bussey)

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Genesis 32. 22-31; Psalm 17. 1-7, 16						
Romans 9. 1-16, Matthew 14. 13-21						
SUNDAY 13 th August - PENTECOST 11						
Romans 10. 4-15, Matthew 14. 22-36						
WELCOMERS						
Sunday 13 th August						
Kylie Sanderson +						
David Denning						
TIS 105, 137, 161, 456						

BRASS CLEANING for August

Lorraine + Bruce Monck

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



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Faith that the Lord will answer prayer is at the heart of today's psalm. The Psalmist wants God to hear his cry, and to be shown the wonders of God's steadfast love. He wants to see God as God is – that will be his satisfaction.

- Lord, hear me and help me. May I always discern and seek reality, and not fall into self-deceptive fantasy, for you are I AM, the 'Great Reality'.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Japan, the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

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