

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

17th September 2023

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WELCOME TO THE PARISH OF 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					
19 th September	7pm	Parish Council	Latham Centre		
24 th September	5.30pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall		
28 th September	10am	Old Bar Morning Tea	FLOW Bar - Old Bar		
12 th October	10am	Mothers Union	Latham Centre		

Priests Ponderings

New We live in challenging times. Things change so fast that it confuses us trying to keep up and understand the world around us. More and more, the idea of faith in Jesus and belonging to the church, is either irrelevant or even sometimes offensive to the world. How do we respond to this? How do we interact in a world that moves so fast and a world that no longer looks to the church as its spiritual and ethical heartland?

To help us explore these issues we are going to work through a sermon series about the mission of God's people. Over the next weeks we will consider our identity and our purpose as God's people.

The series will be based upon a book by Christopher Wright called The Mission of God's People. This book draws upon the whole bible story, from Genesis to Revelation, to help us understand God's purpose to redeem his creation and reconcile all things back to himself. We will look at the path from God's promise to Abraham that he would be used as a blessing to the all the nations (Gen 12), through to the vision of the redeemed creation given to us in Revelation 21.

By exploring this story we are challenged to recognise that we don't invent our mission, we participate in God's mission. And we participate both by the example of our lives - the way we love and care for each other and our communities — and the words we use to tell people about Jesus. We also see that, despite these challenges, we have the promise that the mission is assured by Christ and his defeat of evil on the cross. Irrespective of the way it might look to us sometimes, we can be assured that the Holy Spirit is always moving the church forward towards God's redeeming purposes. In this sense, the burden of achieving the mission is Gods; ours is the privilege of participating.

In Christs love

Rev Natalie



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; CEY Ministries - Kate Baker; Parish of East Maitland Scott Dulley, Wendy Brack; Parish of Maitland - Sarah Dulley, John Quilter.

The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and the Middle East; The Uniting Church in Australia.

Diocese of Perth (Abp Kay Goldsworthy, Bp Kate Wilmot).

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: Suzanne, Leonie, Coralie, Diane, Vera, Lyn, Joyce McMullen, Ted Hill, Wendy McKeogh, Norrie Spicer, James, Jamison, Ian, Joan, Alex Platt & Margaret McDonald.

PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED: Jack Black & Anita Latimore.

PRAYERS FOR ANNIVERSARIES: Johnny Simon, Olive Tagg, Frank Schubert, Anthony Maddalena, Win Yeadon & Marie Schubert.



Tuesday mornings @ 11.30am and Wednesday evenings @ 7pm in the Latham Centre Taree

For more information contact Rev Natalie

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

SENTENCE:

And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment - to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ. Ephesians 1.9, 10

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn 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 Genesis 12.1-9

A reading from the book of Genesis

12Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. 21 will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. 31 will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' 4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. 5Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, 6Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak* of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. 7Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, 'To your offspring I will give this land.' So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. 8From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. 9And Abram journeyed on by stages towards the Negeb.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 27

- 1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?: the Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, come upon me to devour me:

 they shall stumble and fall.
- 3 If an army encamp against me, my heart shall not be afraid: and if war should rise against me, yet will I trust.
- 4 One thing I have asked from the Lord, which I will require:
 that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,
- 5 To see the fair beauty of the Lord: and to seek his will in his temple.
- 6 For he will hide me under his shelter in the day of trouble: and conceal me in the shadow of his tent, and set me high upon a rock.
- 7 And now he will lift up my head: above my enemies round about me.
- 8 And I will offer sacrifices in his sanctuary with exultation: I will sing, I will sing praises to the Lord.
- 9 O Lord, hear my voice when I cry: have mercy upon me and answer me.
- 10 My heart has said of you, 'Seek his face': your face, Lord, I will seek.
- 11 Do not hide your face from me: or thrust your servant aside in displeasure;
- 12 For you have been my helper: do not cast me away or forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 13 Though my father and my mother forsake me: the Lord will take me up.
- 14 Teach me your way, O Lord: and lead me in an even path, for they lie in wait for me.
- 15 Do not give me over to the will of my enemies: for false witnesses have risen against me, and those who breathe out violence.
- 16 But I believe that I shall surely see the goodness of the Lord: in the land of the living.
- 17 O wait for the Lord; stand firm and he will strengthen your heart: and wait, I say, for the Lord.

A reading from the book of Ephesians

1Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: 2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, 4just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. 5 He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, 6 to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. 7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace 8 that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight 9 he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, 10 as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

'And he made known to us the mystery of his will, to bring all things in heaven and on earth together.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 28.16-20.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Matthew Chapter 28 commencing at verse 16.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. 18And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



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

If you would like to participate please contact Jan Carrington on 6553 7972 who will provide you with a box and further information.

Boxes will be collected on the 24th September.



St Johns Blue Cross Anglican Church



If you are interested in Confirmation in 2023 application forms are available on our website www.tareeanglican.org.au or contact Reverend Natalie Quince 0411763448 or MVAC Chaplain Greg Anderson 6553 8844.

HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

SUNDAY 17th September - Pentecost 15

Genesis 12. 1-9; Psalm 27

Ephesians 1. 1-10; Matthew 28. 16-20

SUNDAY 24th September - Pentecost 16

Exodus 15. 1-18, Psalm 78. 1-8

2 Thessalonians 2. 13-16; John 3. 16-21

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WELCOMERS						
Sunday 17th September		Sunday 24th September				
9am	Bruce Walker	9am	Doreen Sinclair			
	David Denning		Col Rose			
4pm	Beryl Fenwick	4pm	Beryl Fenwick			
READERS						
Sunda	ay 17th September	Sunday 24 th September				
9am	Doreen Sinclair	9am	Janella Leotta			
4pm	Ken Park	4pm	Sue Prentice			
MORNING TEA						
Sunday 17th September		Sunday 24th September				
Lorraine Monck		Doreen Sinclair				
+ Bruce Monck		+ Bruce Walker				
HYMNS: 17th September						

TIS 93, 703, 693, 224 BRASS CLEANING for September

Larraine Yarad



PENTECOST 15

Both today's psalm and the alternative canticle remind us of the Easter Vigil where the Church celebrates the exodus of the Israelites from Egypt. This miracle is the focus of the Jewish Passover. The Psalmist tells us that God is powerful enough to have turned the 'rock into a pool of water and the flint-stone into a welling spring'. If we look, we can find those times where God has caused miracles to happen in our own lives. There are probably times, if we look carefully enough, when God has done something miraculous for our country. Let us all be attentive this week to see where we can find God's miracles in our own lives, among our friends and families and within Australia.

 Lord, help me to find miracles, both big and small, in the world.

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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 eq: 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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