

## 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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# Reflection

At dawn on the 25th April 1915, 90 years ago Australian and New Zealand soldiers landed at what we now know as Anzac Cove on the Gallipoli Peninsula. The campaign was plagued by ill-defined goals, poor planning, insufficient and inadequate equipment, and tactical deficiencies. The campaign which was to last nearly 8 months was defined as a military failure.

But the Australian soldiers' behaviour, bravery, ingenuity, endurance and mateship under horrific conditions are now thought of as a defining aspect of the Australian character. By November 1915, the British war office decided to evacuate the peninsula as the objective could not be achieved. The evacuation was started on the 15th December and completed on the 20th of December and it is now regarded as the best planned part of the venture. The soldiers, on leaving, felt guilty leaving behind their mates who had made the ultimate sacrifice. Little did they know that some of them were to face more horrific conditions on the western front in France.

An extract of a special message attributed to Mustafa Kemal Ataturk in 1934:

Those heroes who shed their blood and lost their lives! You are now lying in the soil of a friendly country. Therefore rest in peace. There is no difference between the Johnnies and Mehmet's to us where they lie side by side here in this country to of ours. You, the mothers, who sent their sons from far away countries wipe away your tears; your sons are now lying in our bosom and are in peace. After having lost their lives on this land they have become our sons as well.

An extract from the poem - "Arras Road' by Laurence Binyon'

There in the dark, on either side The road, are all the brave who died I think not on the battles won I think of those whose day is done.

A prayer for peace:

Loving God Grant us peace in our time and a longing For the day when people of every nation and race Will be brought into of Christ's kingdom. Amen

Lest we forget.

Ken Park.



**WORLD:** People & communities affected by violence & conflict, racism & discrimination, oppression, poverty, natural disasters. 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, Professional Standards Committee; Anglican Care - Andrew Harrison, Jenny Foley, Melanie Whalley, Retired Clergy, Samaritans Foundation—David Hesketh; Society of St Francis at Stroud - Brother Christopher John; Mission to Seafarers'; Parish of Muswellbrook -Angela Peverell; Parish of Scone - Rod Oldfield, The Ministry Team; Parish of Singleton - Michelle Hazel-Jawhary, Marianne Reynolds.

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 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**: Marilyn Simpson, Bill & Jill Green, Suzanne W., Jeanette, Donovan, Leonie, Rose-Marie, Suzanne C., Vera, Wendy McKeogh, Norrie Spicer, James, Jamison, Ian, Joan, Alex Platt & Margaret McDonald.

**PRAYERS FOR ANIVERSARIES**: Jean Villiers & Dawn Sheather.

#### PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:

#### DIARY DATES

	1		
Sun 28 April	5.30pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall
Mon 29 April	4.00pm	Choir Practice	St John's
Sun 5 May	9.00am	Confirmation with Bishop Charlie	St John's
	10.00		
Thurs 9 May	10.00am	Mothers Union	Latham Centre

#### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### SENTENCE:

'No one has greater love than this, than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends,' says the Lord, 'if you do what I command you.' John 14.13-14

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

O God, our ruler and guide, in whose hands are the destinies of this and every nation, we give you thanks for the freedoms we enjoy in this land and for those who laid down their lives to defend them. We pray that we and all the people of Australia, gratefully remembering their courage and their sacrifice, may have grace to live in a spirit of justice, of generosity and of peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### FIRST READING

#### Micah 4. 1-4

A reading from the book of Micah

<sup>4</sup>In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, <sup>2</sup>and many nations shall come and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup>He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; <sup>4</sup>but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken..

Hear the word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 46

- 1 God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved: and though the mountains are shaken in the midst of the sea;
- 3 Though the waters rage and foam: and though the mountains quake at the rising of the sea.
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God: the holy dwelling-place of the Most High.
- 5 God is in the midst of her, therefore she shall not be moved: God will help her, and at break of day.
- 6 The nations make uproar, and the kingdoms are shaken: but God has lifted his voice, and the earth shall tremble.
- 7 The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 8 Come then and see what the Lord has done: what destruction he has brought upon the earth.
- 9 He makes wars to cease in all the world: he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, and burns the chariots in the fire.
- 10 'Be still, and know that I am God:I will be exalted among the nations,I will be exalted upon the earth.'
- 11 The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

#### SECOND READING

#### Romans 5.1-8

A reading from the book Romans

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, <sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the

right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.".

#### Gospel

#### John 15. 9-17

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according John Chapter 15 commencing at verse 9.

#### Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

<sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. <sup>12<sup>11</sup></sup>This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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### FLAME TREE COMMUNITY MARKET SRD SUNDAY EACH MONTH ST JOHNS HALL TAREE 294 VICTORIA ST

April 21st May 19th June 16th July 21st Aug 18th Sept 15th No Markets Nov 17th Fresh Produce Clothes Swap Plants - Flowers Retro - Vintage Records - CDs Recycled goods

Lunch - Drinks

Live Local Music - Weaving - Beading - Free Kids Area Bring a chair or rug - Support Fresh Local Produce





HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS							
SUNI	DAY 28 <sup>th</sup> April –	5rd Su	Inday of Easter				
Micah	Micah 4. 1-4, Psalm 46;						
Roma	Romans 5. 1-8; John15.9-17						
SUNDAY 5th May – 6th Sunday of Easter							
Acts 1	Acts 10. 44-48, Psalm 98;						
1 John 5. 1-12; John 15. 9-17							
WELCOMERS							
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April		Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May					
9am	Doreen Sinclair Col Rose	9am	Di Woollard Ian Woollard				
READERS							
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April		Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May					
9am	Margaret Griffis	9am	Hugh McCrindle				
4pm	Sue Prentice	4pm	Greg Anderson				
MORNING TEA							
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> April		Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May					
Margaret + Les Griffis		Lorraine Monck + Bruce Monck					
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#### **BRASS CLEANING for April**

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: Anglican Parish of Taree

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



#### ANZAC COMMEMORATION

"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." Christ Church Cathedral Newcastle holds many treasures, and one of our most precious is the 'Book of Gold'. Following World War I, the names of all those who had died during the Great War, were beautifully and carefully written in this book. The covers of this book are made from the gold from the jewellery, largely rings, donated by those whose loved ones had died. The book carries the weight of love. In Jesus we encounter such love beyond measure.

- Pray for those for whom the weight of remembrance is heavy.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the ADF Bishop, the Rt Rev Grant Dibden, and all forces chaplains.

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