

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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PP'S

Seven weeks after the great festival of Passover: Fifty days (that's why it was called "Pentecost": it's Greek for "Fifty") .It was the signal for all the visitors in Jerusalem to pack up and head for home. Seven weeks of sitting out the bleak midwinter in Jerusalem waiting for Jesus to come back.

Then it happened! The Christian remainers had seen Jesus leave, they had picked Mathias to take the place of Judas Iscariot. Then Jesus kept his word. This was the presence he had promised. In an instant they were transformed from a huddle of traumatised dilettantes into a gang of enthusiasts with a message that would turn the world upside-down .

A few things to note about this portion of Scripture: "they were ALL present"- not just the apostles/disciples; there would have been, women there and maybe children. Does Luke's report actually tell us that the Apostles were the only ones to receive the Holy Spirit? St. Peter's subsequent quote from the Prophet Joel gives us a broad hint.

Then there's those "tongues of fire". Accompanied by a "rushing, mighty wind". Elijah, the Prophet listened for the voice of God in the earthquake, wind and fire and heard it, instead, in a "still, small voice". For those gathered on that Pentecost Morning, the earthquake occurred when the Word in human form cried out "It is finished!" Now comes the wind and fire. It was that pillar of fire, the Shechinah Glory, which kept watch over the Israelite camp for Forty years in the desert and which reappeared when King Solomon dedicated the Temple. Now he was invading the guest room in a Jerusalem backstreet.

Then, again, this communication in other languages is a reversal of the Tower of Babel in which humankind sought to find God in the sky when the Creator was sending His Word in the Flesh into the world. The Universe is turned upside-down. Emmanuel...God Amongst Us.

Now, the point of this is,
the question is:
How ready are you to give
a reason for the hope
that is in you?
(Romans 5:5)





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; Finance - Jane Dumsa, Terese Innes, Megan Moffat, Felicia Sharman; Samaritans Foundation - David Hesketh; Parish of Telarah & Rutherford - Sarah Dulley.

Diocese of Rockhampton (Bp Peter Grice).

The Anglican Church of Melanesia; The Baptist Church.

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: Betty Hicks, Joyce Kirby, Carole Costa & Christine Clark.

PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:

DIARY DATES

Mon 20 May	4.00pm	Choir Practice	St John's
Thurs 23 May	10.00am	Morning Tea @ FLOW	Old Bar
Sun 26 May	5.30pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall
Thurs 9 May	10.00am	Mothers Union	Latham Centre

PENTECOST SUNDAY

SENTENCE:

'A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you,' says the Lord God; 'I will put my spirit within you and you shall live.' Ezekiel 36.26; 37.14

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**Almighty God,
you sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love, joy, and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

FIRST 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 o'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

Romans 8.22-27

A reading from the first book of Romans

²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. ²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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Gospel

John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according John
Chapter 15 commencing at verse 26.

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

²⁶ 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. ²⁷ You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. ⁴ But I have said these things to you so that when their hour

comes you may remember that I told you about them. 'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵ But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" ⁶ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷ Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. ⁸ And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: ⁹ about sin, because they do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹ about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. ¹² 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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FLAME TREE COMMUNITY MARKET

3RD SUNDAY EACH MONTH

ST JOHNS HALL TAREE

294 VICTORIA ST

April 21st

May 19th

June 16th

July 21st

Aug 18th

Sept 15th

Oct

Nov 17th

Fresh Produce

Clothes Swap

Plants - Flowers

Retro - Vintage

Records - CDs

Recycled goods

No Markets

Lunch - Drinks

Live Local Music - Weaving - Beading - Free Kids Area

Bring a chair or rug - Support Fresh Local Produce

**Clean donations wanted for the
Clothes & Small Items Swap Table**

Text Paula 0411 202 822





Suzanne and Josephine Cook

are holding a

PINK BUN STALL

at the

Flame Tree Community Markets

Sunday 19 May 2024

To raise money for Breast Cancer Research

BUY A BUN FOR A GOLD COIN DONATION

All my raised will be donated to the

Breast Cancer Network Australia

So they can continue to provide free services

and resources to the 20,675 people expected

to be diagnosed this year as well

as their families and supporters.



 **Cancer Council**
Australia's Biggest
Morning Tea

Biggest Morning Tea

May 26th

after the 9.00am service at St John's Taree

Please bring a plate to share

and make a donation
to this wonderful cause.

Thank You

The Old Bar congregation
invite you
to join them for
Morning Tea
@10am
Thursday 23rd May, 2024
FLOW Bar
31 David Street,
Old Bar



I will sing to the Lord all my life;
I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.
May my meditation be pleasing to him,
as I rejoice in the Lord.

Psalm 104:33-34

HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

SUNDAY 19th May – Pentecost

Acts 2. 1-21, Psalm 104. 26-36;

Romans 8. 22-27; John 15. 26-27, 16. 4b-15

SUNDAY 26th May – Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6. 1-8, Psalm 29;

Romans 8. 12-17; John 3. 1-17

WELCOMERS

Sunday 19th May		Sunday 26th May	
9am	Doreen Sinclair Col Rose	9am	Di Woollard Ian Woollard

READERS

Sunday 19th May		Sunday 26th May	
9am	Fr Ivan Ransom	9am	Janella Leotta
4pm	Sue Prentice	4pm	Ken Park

MORNING TEA

Sunday 19th May		Sunday 26th May	
Kylie Sanderson + David Denning		Doreen Sinclair + Bruce Walker	

BRASS CLEANING for May

Lorraine Yarrad



PENTECOST

Ezekiel's well-known prophecy shows us that without breath, there is no life. We need that breath literally as well as metaphorically: we need the Spirit to vivify us, we need inspiration to really exist, endure and flourish. Otherwise, we are merely skeletons with no life in us. Pray that the Holy Spirit may enliven and inspire us so that we may truly live.

- ◆ Holy Ghost, dispel our sadness, Pierce the gloom of sinful night; Come, thou Source of sweetest gladness, Breathe thy life and spread thy light!
- ◆ Give thanks for the two dioceses of the Church of Ceylon, which covers most of Sri Lanka, remembering their ministry in a multi-religious context.

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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: 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
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