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TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024



# Services @ Taree & Old Bar

ST JOHN'S 294 Victoria St. Taree

**SUNDAY 9am - Holy Eucharist** 

**SUNDAY 5pm - Contemporary** 

**WEDNESDAY 11am - Holy Eucharist** 

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

18 Hall St. Old Bar

SUNDAY 11am Holy Eucharist

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# PPS

It has been fun to watch the Olympics, to ride the highs and lows of our amazing swimmers and athletes, and even to be a little patriotic.

It has been a welcome change from some of the simply terrible news of human suffering in Palestine and the Ukraine. Those contrasting realities came together for me during the week when I read the heart-moving story of Margaret Holder, the daughter of missionaries serving in China. When World War 2 broke out, Margaret was separated from her family and imprisoned, along with other children, in a Japanese internment camp.

As another of the children explained it: 'Separated from our parents, we found ourselves crammed into a world of gut-wrenching hunger, guard dogs, bayonet drills, prisoner numbers and badges, daily roll calls, bed bugs, flies, and unspeakable sanitation.' Despite the difficulties, there were glimmers of hope and joy, one of them in the comforting form of a man the children knew as 'Uncle Eric.' This man was none other than Eric Liddell, 'The Flying Scot,' hero of the movie *Chariots of Fire*, who, at the 1924 Paris Olympics, won a gold medal – and broke a world record – in the 400 metre race, after not running in his favoured 100 metre race because it was run on Sunday.

When war broke out, Liddell sent his pregnant wife and his daughters to safety. He never saw them again. Suffering with a brain tumour, and physically wasting away, Eric Liddell died in 1945, shortly after his forty-third birthday, and less than 200 days before the camp was liberated. One might be tempted to think that Liddell's was a wasted life – walking away from likely future Olympic triumphs – but his life, which continues to inspire, was anything but wasted. As Margaret and other of those precious children remember, Liddell was deeply loved by all the children in the camp. Liddell tutored them, encouraged them, and demonstrated in his very person God's great love for them. An achievement even greater than Olympic gold.

Fr Keith



The Weihsien Compound



**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; Amanda Newburn, Regina Valentine; The Cathedral - Katherine Bowyer, Gary Atherton; Corrective Services Chaplaincies - Chris Jackson; the Parish of Cessnock - Nicole Baldwin, Ken Craft; Ecumenical Conversation.

Province of the Anglican Church of Congo; Episcopal Church of the USA.

The Diocese of Gippsland (Bp Richard Treloar).

**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, Lyle, Mike Faine, Bill & Jill Green, Suzanne W., Jeanette, Donovan, Leonie, Rose-Marie, Suzanne C., Rosemary, Vera, Wendy McKeogh, James, Jamison, Ian, Alex Platt & Margaret McDonald.

**PRAYERS FOR ANIVERSARIES**: Lynette Bernasconi, Bethne Brown, Wendy Latimore, Walter Allen, Robert Hardy & Joan Paff.

# DIARY DATES

Thurs 22 August	10.00am	Morning Tea @ Village Cafe	Old Bar
Sun 25 August	6.00pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall
Tue 3 Sept.	3.15pm	BCS Leaders Meeting	Shop
Thurs 12 Sept.	10.00am	Mothers Union	Latham Centre

#### TWELTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### SENTENCE:

Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Ephesians 5.1–2

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Grant, O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfilment of all our need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on the true and living bread that you have given us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### FIRST READING

2 Samuel 18.5-9, 18.14, 31-33

A reading from the second book of Samuel

<sup>5</sup> The king gave orders to Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. <sup>6</sup> So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. 7 The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. 8 The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. 9 Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. 14 Joab said, 'I will not waste time like this with you.' He took three spears in his hand, and thrust them into the heart of Absalom, while he was still alive in the oak. 31 Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." 32 The king said to the Cushite, 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all

who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' <sup>33</sup> The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would that I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM 130**

- Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice;
- 2 O let your ears consider well: the voice of my supplication.
- 3 If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong: who then, O Lord, could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you: so that you shall be feared.
- 5 I wait for the Lord, my soul waits for him: and in his word is my hope.
- 6 My soul looks for the Lord: more than watchmen for the morning, more, I say, than watchmen for the morning.
- O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is ample redemption.
- 8 He will redeem Israel: from the multitude of their sins.

## SECOND READING

**Ephesians 4.25-5.2** 

A reading from Ephesians

<sup>25</sup> So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. <sup>26</sup> Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, <sup>27</sup> and do not make room for the devil. <sup>28</sup> Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. <sup>29</sup> Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Put away from

you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, 32 and be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. 1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, 2 and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

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Gospel John 6.35; 6.41-51

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according John Chapter 6 commencing at verse 35.

## Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

35 Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. <sup>41</sup> Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 42 They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' 43 Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. 46 Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. <sup>47</sup> Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.





Bless a child by packing a shoebox with gifts; this a tangible way to show God's love. Boxes with instructions are available at the back of St John's. Boxes will be collected 13th October.

Thank You Jan

Blue Cross

MEN'S NIGHT OUT

Wednesday 5th September 2024

Jin-Hong Chinese Restaurant - 91 Victoria St, Taree

Meeting from 6.30 pm for an informal chance to chat and get to know each other, and do invite a friend or two along.

A second Men's Night Out is planned for November 6 - same place, same time.

RSVP by Friday 30 August – to Fr Keith Mascord - keith@mascord.com.au



The Old Bar congregation invite you to your them for Morning Tea

@10am

Thursday 22nd August, 2024 Village Café - Shops 2 & 3 47 Old Bar Road, Old Bar

#### **HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS**

## SUNDAY 11th August - Pentecost 12

2 Samuel 18. 5-9, 14, 31-33; Psalm 130

Ephesians 4. 25-5.2; John 6. 35, 41-51

# SUNDAY 18th August - Pentecost 13

1 Kings 2. 10-12; 3. 3-14; Psalm 111

Ephesians 5. 11-21; John 6. 51-58

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WELCOMERS					
Sunda	ay 11 <sup>th</sup> August	Sunday 18th August			
9am	David Denning Janella Leotta	ıuam	Bruce Walker Col Rose		
READERS					
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> August		Sunday 18th August			
9am	Jay Quince	9am	Sue Prentice		
MORNING TEA					
Sunday 11th August		Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> August			
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BRASS CLEANING for August					
Lorraine + Bruce Monck					



## TWELTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The human condition is so limited; hardness of heart, ignorance, prone to greed and falsehood and even, sometimes, murderous intent. Thank God that God does not despair! and indeed sent all that we need to live a renewed life, and eternal life, Jesus Christ himself, the bread of heaven.

- ★ We give thanks that God has given us all that is good, and all that we need to be good, and we pray that we will share this generosity with all in need.
- → Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican

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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.

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

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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

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WRITE: Director of Professional Standards PO Box 494, Newcastle NSW 2300 EMAIL: <a href="mailto:dps@newcastleanglican.org.au">dps@newcastleanglican.org.au</a>
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