

## This Week's Diary

<b>Sunday August 10</b> Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Holy Communion 10.30@HTO Fellowship Luncheon	8:30am 10:30am 12:30pm
<b>Monday August 11</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:00pm
<b>Tuesday August 12</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Stewardship, Vision and Mission Meeting	8:30am 5:00pm 7:30pm
<b>Wednesday August 13</b>	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Choir Practice Evening Prayer	8:30am 10:30am 4:30pm 5:00pm
<b>Thursday August 14</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:00pm
<b>Friday August 15</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:00pm
<b>Saturday August 16</b>	Holy Communion Vivaldi Concert	5:00pm 2:00pm
<b>Sunday August 17</b> Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Holy Communion 10.30@HTO	8:30am 10:30am

**Readings: Genesis 45:1-15, Psalm 133, Romans 11:13-32, Matthew 15:21-28**

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## Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

**To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples**

**10 August, 2014**

**The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

Benedictine spirituality teaches us that it is the ordinary events of every day life that are sacred - our domestic chores, our recreational activities, our working and community responsibilities, our social and family relationships. It teaches us that if we accept the sacredness of the whole of life and not just certain bits of it, then we begin to live a holy life: "Be holy as I am holy", says St. Peter. (1Peter 1:16)

This means we will view our life, and life in general, other people and the physical world around us very differently - we will regard everything and everyone as gift, and we will live differently from how the world lives. What we believe, our values and how we act will all evolve and be more integrated so that rather than seeing ourselves as human beings who occasionally have spiritual experiences we will become spiritual beings who are living a human life. This will enable us, who are mostly very ordinary people, to live extraordinary lives.

The everyday 'stuff' of life is infused with moments of grace, they have the potential to reveal to us glimpses of the divine, should we be alert and alive, seeking the face of God all around us and within us. As the Psalmist says:

"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork" (Psalm 19).

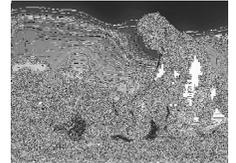
And our Lord reminds us in St. Matthew Ch25: "In as much as you did it to the least of these little ones you did it to me".

A simple, ordinary act of courtesy, a gesture of kindness is an act of love and reveals our godliness, and sees the other person in the same way.

In peace and blessing

Fr Ian

Transitional Priest



### Vivaldi, Four Seasons Concert

presented by  
the Bathurst Chamber Orchestra  
with Andrew Baker - Violin  
Saturday 16th August 2:30pm  
in Holy Trinity Church  
Adults \$20, Concession \$15  
School Age Children: free  
**Tickets available at the door.**

### Special Meeting of the Parish

11:45am, Sunday 17 August  
in the Parish Centre

#### Business:

Our Parish's contribution in response  
to the Diocesan Financial Situation.

## To our visitors

Welcome to our parish community.

We hope you are refreshed by your worship here today.

Please stay for a cup of tea after the service if you are able.

### Prayer Response:

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

### In our prayers:

- Bishop Ian Palmer and Liz; the Diocese
- The Parishes of Cumnock, Dubbo and Eugowra
- The Parish Appointment Board, seeking an appointment for this parish
- Our Parish; Father Ian and Margaret
- Members of Parish Council
- Canon Margaret; Elaine Cooper
- Peace in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Gaza and all nations of the Middle East; The Ukraine and Russia
- Iraq's Christians; for peace and justice
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Peace and Reunification on the Korean Peninsula
- All who are affected by the Malaysian Airline disaster
- Welfare agencies
- Children, and our care of them

### ABM Reflections

Genesis 37.1-4,12-28; Psalm 105.1-6,16-22;  
Romans 10.4-15; Matthew 14.22-36

### Jesus walks on water

This story is set on and around the Sea of Galilee.

Finally Jesus gets some peace and quiet when he goes up the mountain by himself to pray. However it has been anything but peaceful for his disciples who have had a rough night being tossed around in their boat. The Sea of Galilee is noted for its unpredictable winds and dangerous waters so when we think of Jesus calmly walking across the water to his disciples – there was no millpond, no calm glassy surface as is so often portrayed in modern accounts of this story. It was much more likely to have been rough and wild and extremely dangerous. Peter tests Jesus in saying if it is indeed him

then command him, Peter, to come to him by walking across the water to him. Briefly all goes well, but something happens, in this case a very strong gust of wind and Peter gets frightened and he starts to sink.

If this can happen to Peter, who was to become the head of the church, it can happen to us. We would do well to remember that even the leaders have times of doubt, just as we do. This is another metaphor for life. When we lose confidence in ourselves or in others, we have to cope with the consequences. Reach out in faith to the Lord. He will walk beside us in the difficulties of life.

Question: Where do I find that solitude that my heart cries out for?

Pray that you may grow in your love of God and that your faith may be strengthened by all life's adventures.

Pray for the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

### Parish Appointment Board

Please use this prayer (or one like it) regularly, to support the Board as it undertakes its work.

*Bountiful God,  
give to this parish a faithful pastor  
who will faithfully speak your word  
and minister your sacraments;  
an encourager who will equip your people  
for ministry  
and enable us to fulfil our calling.  
Give to those who will choose, wisdom,  
discernment and patience,  
and to us give warm and generous hearts,  
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen. APBA p 212*

### Sunday Morning Tea

Sunday 7 September: 9:45am, in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate, and enjoy fellowship between both Congregations.

### Fellowship Luncheon

12:30pm, **to-day**, in the Parish Centre.  
Please bring a plate to share. Speakers: Joy and Rob Westcott on their 'cruising' travels.  
**All Welcome.**

### A Cursillo Gathering

Will take place at 4:00pm **to-day** at St Barnabas Church, Orange

### Annual Parish OHS/WHS Review

It's that time of the year for a review of the Parish Workplace Health and Safety operation, and to present a report to the Parish Council and the Diocese.

If there are any matters of safety in the parish, about which any-one has a concern, please contact Mike Middleton (0418 435 250) this week. Thank you.

### Parish Spring Fair

**Saturday 8 November**

The next planning meeting will be held on Friday 15 August, 11am, Parish Centre. Come along, put your ideas forward and share some great company.

To launch this year's Spring Fair, there is a basket at the back of the church for any hamper items towards our major raffle. Please help make our raffle a grand prize!!  
Lynne 6362 0141

### Cursillo

The next Cursillo week-ends are fast approaching: Men's: 4th-7th September, and Women's: 3rd-6th October.

These are short courses in Christian living over 3 days, and led by Laity.  
For further information, please contact Heather Cummins: 6362 6882.

**Today, the flowers at the Pulpit  
are in loving memory  
of  
Frances Hetherington**

### ABM GAZA EMERGENCY APPEAL

Over one recent week, more than 500 tons of explosives were dropped on an area which is home to 1.7 million. More than 3,600 people have been wounded, with more than 600 killed; thousands of homes have been destroyed leaving 120,000 people displaced, and in excess of 25,000 children traumatized and in need of psychosocial support.

The Al-Ahli Arab hospital, run by the Anglican/Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, a partner of ABM, has been structurally damaged during the airstrikes and its ventilation system in the operating theatre and the emergency room are also now in need of repair.

ABM is aiming to raise \$25,000 for the hospital.

**If you would like to help**, please see Donation forms at the entrances, or place a donation in a marked envelope (Gaza Emergency appeal) and place on the offertory bowl. **Thank you.**

### Meals on Wheels Reminder

It is the Holy Trinity team's turn for Meals on Wheels on 11 August 2014.

The Anglican Parish of Cudal

### Men's Dinner

Friday 22nd August 2014

Please see notice boards for full details.

### *Peaceful, Central, Quality Retirement Villa – Holy Trinity Village*

This is a comfortable 2 bedroom villa set amongst beautifully maintained gardens with only 8 other villas, new paint and carpet. It also features a single garage with internal access.

**All enquiries to the Parish Office**  
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