

This Week's Diary

Sunday August 12 11th after Pentecost	Holy Communion	7:30am
	Holy Communion	9:30am
	Confirmation Class	4.00pm
	Bible Study Group	5.00pm
Monday August 13	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Baptism Preparation	7.30pm
Tuesday August 14	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Bible Study Group	7:30pm
Wednesday August 15	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Bishop in Council	10.00am
	Holy Communion	10:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Choir Practice	7.30pm
Thursday August 16	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Orange Anglicare	12.30pm
	Evening Prayer	5.30pm
	Parish Council	7.30pm
Friday August 17	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer - <i>special prayers for the Parish</i>	5:30pm
Saturday August 18	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Holy Communion	5:30pm
Sunday August 19 12th after Pentecost	Holy Communion	7:30am
	Holy Communion	9:30am
	Confirmation Class	4:00pm
	Bible Study Group	5:00pm

Readings: 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14, Psalm 111, Ephesians 5:11-21, John 6:51-58

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Know Grow
Show Go
In Christ

Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

August 12, 2012

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

What is the aim of Back to church Sunday (BTCS)?

Back to church Sunday is designed to assist churches with:

- * welcoming new comers to their services
- * developing a church culture that is focused on inviting members of their community to church

- * to assist in welcome training and how to communicate the Gospel in an effective and helpful way to those who are hearing it for the first time or who have questions about God.

What support does BTCS offer you?

Back to Church Sunday provides resources such as sermon outlines, children's ministry outlines, and training DVDs.

88% of churches in 2011 who took part said they would gladly take part again.

90% of churches used the resources provided by "Lost Sheep" when planning their services and felt it was very helpful during their invitational services.

Invitations, posters and prayer bookmarks are included in BTCS packs to help us to prepare for the service being held on 16 September. The posters act as reminders for the congregation, and the invitations and prayer bookmarks are a good source of information to pass on to a friend or family member who you wish to invite to church.

Reasons to take part in BTCS on 16 September 2012

In 2011 the feedback after the BTCS Sunday services displayed incredible stories of people feeling welcomed back to church, people mending their relationship with Christ and people feeling positive about attending regular church services.

Below are a few examples.

"On the response forms, two people with no previous Christian faith indicated they had given their lives to Jesus and five others recommitted their lives to Jesus" – Melbourne.

"It was good to see our parish numbers double through inviting friends/family to join us for a once-off worship event. This has been a positive experience for a small parish community" – Perth

"Four visitors spoke positively of becoming regular members" – Riverina
"The excitement it generated within the community. The way it encouraged us to think about how welcoming we are. The realization that it is not difficult to invite someone to come along to church; the worse thing they can say is 'no thank you.'" - Perth

BTCS represents our love for God and our desire to make God's name known. Matthew 4:19 quotes Jesus saying "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men".

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 services if you are able.



Prayer Response

Loving God, broken for us, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

In our Prayers:

- Christians persecuted for their faith
- The parishes of Cumnock, Dubbo, Eugowra
- Bishop Richard, diocesan and parish leaders in the midst of the present challenges
- Give thanks for one another in our parish
- The Olympic games as a sign of unity and peace
- Places like Syria where there is conflict and violence
- All who are dealing with hurt, betrayal, and loss

ABM Reflections

Jesus declares himself to be the Living Bread, yet people grumble and ask how he can say such a thing. However, Christian experience finds his words to be true. It is Jesus who sustains the Church through the Eucharist, the sharing of his Body and Blood. Jesus gives us food for the journey.

Today's question:

How can I attend the Eucharist more regularly to be enriched by God through word and sacrament?

Let us pray for all those places in the world where Christians are persecuted and unable to join in worship openly.

Give thanks for the great blessing that Jesus gives to the Church through the Eucharist.

New Rosters and Diocesan Papers are available today

If you are rostered to help out at any of the services in any way, please do take your roster home with you today. **Thank-you.**

Today at 2:30pm: a concert by Stephen Aveling-Rowe in the church. Stephen plays organ, cello and piano. Half of the funds raised will support the work of Bruce and Kathy Cummins in the Cameroon; the other will help fund Stephen on a learning trip to play famous organs in Europe. Thanks to the eight people who have offered to help serve afternoon tea. Entry by gold coin donation.

MU (Mothers Union)

will be conducting a "Trading Table" again today. Proceeds are used to support ministry with baptism families.

Fellowship Luncheon

Please don't forget that a Fellowship luncheon will be held in the Parish Centre **today** from 12:30 pm. You might like to bring some food to share, and stay on for the concert which will follow.

Family Service

Thanks to all who helped out with last Sunday's service. Next month, the choir from the Orange Anglican Grammar School will participate in the Family Service.

A New Youth Activity:

Rachel Budden is leading **students in years 6 to 10 in a new group** that will meet on the last Sunday of each month with a view to participating in the family service the next week. Please speak to Rachel for more information.

Back to Church Sunday September 16.

Please make a note of the date and begin thinking about people you may wish to invite. Invitation cards and prayer cards are available at the entrances of the Church today. **There will be only one service that day, at 9am. Please note the time change.**

Sunday, August 19:

"Creating Safe Ministries Workshop"

will be held in the Parish Centre from 12.30pm. This workshop is compulsory training for all involved with children and young people's ministry, and is strongly recommended for all Churchwardens, Parish Councilors and LLMs. Please make the most of this opportunity.

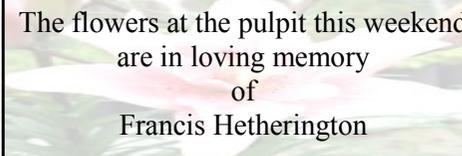
At 9 am next Sunday, the ashes of the late **Pat Hughes** will be placed in the columbarium wall. Pat's family invites any of her friends to be present.

2012 40 Hour Famine

17 to 19 August. Funds raised this year will help hungry families to increase their food supply by irrigation schemes, improved farming techniques, support to raise livestock and conservation activities, support agencies around the world. \$40 will help feed a family of five per month. If you would like to participate by giving up something for 40 hours, please see Heather Cummins (6362 6882) for a sponsor book. If you would like to sponsor her, please see her. She will be delighted to give you a receipt for your gift. Thank you.

Request for Men's Clothing

As inmates are released, they are clothed in what they were wearing when arrested. This works well, providing that prisoners are warmly dressed at the arrest and have not changed body shape whilst in jail. For many, they are released with only shorts and T-shirts. The prison chaplain is asking for jumpers, track tops, track pants etc in XXL sizes and above (although all sizes are welcome). Donations of clothing can be left at the parish office.



The flowers at the pulpit this weekend
are in loving memory
of
Francis Hetherington

Spring Fair,

Saturday, November 10, 2012

The date is set,

We're on our way!

Need helpers? I bet,

On the important day.

Sheets on the table

Place your name in a space-

Need a smile, willing and able,

To help ease the load and the pace!

A meeting of interested people on Friday, 17 August at 11 am, in the Parish Centre. All welcome, come along with your innovative ideas!!! Contact Lynne Middleton 6362 0141, Rod Wykes, or Ray Norman

Book Group, Thursday, 9 August 8:00pm, 80 Gorman Road, home of Martin and Sally Atkins. The book to be discussed is 'The Absolutist' by John Boyne. All Welcome.

Words for Reflection

After cutting weeds, plant good seeds.

Tell me what good it is to weed a garden if we do not plant good seed... sow good habits and dispositions. To be free from a bad habit does not mean that we have formed a good one. We need to take further steps of forming good habits and dispositions to replace what we have left behind. John Chrysostom, Epistle to the Ephesians 16.4.31-32.

Trivia night at St Barnabas Church, Friday, August 31, 7.30pm

Tables of 8, \$10 a head;

Contact 6362 5349 for tickets.

Friday Prayers

In the chapel each Friday at 5.30pm - seeking God's wisdom, guidance and direction in these difficult days for both our diocese and parish. We use the Friday Evening Office (APBA p416; suggested Bible readings are in the parish prayer diary) concluding by 6 pm. **All are welcome.** You might like to come along, or join us from your home.