

## This Week's Diary

<b>Sunday February 9</b> <i>5th Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Holy Communion 10:30@HTO Planning for HTO@10.30 Bible Study	8:30am 10:30am 4:00pm 5:00pm
<b>Monday February 10</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:30pm
<b>Tuesday February 11</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Bible Study Mission and Stewardship Committee	8:30am 5:30pm 7:30pm 7:30pm
<b>Wednesday February 12</b>	Morning Prayer Holy Communion (in the Parish Centre) Evening Prayer Choir Practice	8:30am 10:30am  5:30pm 7:30pm
<b>Thursday February 13</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:30pm
<b>Friday February 14</b>	Morning Prayer AWA Morning Tea Evening Prayer	8:30am 10:00am 5:30pm
<b>Saturday February 15</b>	Morning Prayer Holy Communion	8:30am 5:30pm
<b>Sunday February 16</b> <i>6th Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Holy Communion 10:30@HTO Bible Study	8:30am 10:30am 5:00pm

**Readings:** Deuteronomy 10:12-22, Psalm 119:1-18,  
1 Corinthians 3:1-9, Matthew 5:21-37

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## Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

9 February 2014

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

### From the Rector,

There were two really important meetings in our parish last week.

A small group has been established to help plan and coordinate the 8:30 am service.

This service has a strong liturgical framework, using different Eucharistic services each week. Music is mostly chosen from "Together in Song", the successor to the "Australian Hymnbook". The Bible readings follow the three-year Revised Common Lectionary, an international and ecumenical compilation used by many mainstream denominations, and come from the "New Revised Standard Version" of the Bible.

How can this group enrich and enhance the strong existing framework? All our worship must have a mission edge, as well as seek to build community. Central to our worship is the resurrection proclamation that "we are the Body of Christ". Building and maintaining a sense of belonging and pastoral care are other important aspects for discussion.

On Friday night, the Pastoral Carers' Group closed. It began life some years ago as "Pastoral Partners", and sought to maintain pastoral and prayerful bonds for people within the worshipping life of the parish. It has been adapted over the years,

but participation and leadership has dwindled. It served its season well.

*Thank you* to Lynne Middleton who was its coordinator and inspirer from the beginning. Lynne is now examining ways through which pastoral contact can be maintained, particularly with those who are shut in, over the telephone.

We should always remember that as a community of Christ, we have an obligation to support and care for one another.

Give thanks for the many gifts that we have in our parish life and pray that we may also have the gifts and courage to look beyond ourselves, as a community which serves the mission of God. As the Diocesan Mission Statement puts it:

"We acknowledge ourselves to be followers of Christ who are God's 'ones who have been sent', called to be messengers and agents of God's mission in and to the world."



## 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:

Lord, when our resources run dry,  
By your love, transform us.

## In our prayers:

- Bishop Ian and Liz, and our Diocese
- The parishes of Cumnock and Dubbo
- Our Parish at this time of transition
- The Clergy Appointments' Board
- Christians in many places suffering because of their faith
- Peace - in Egypt, Syria, Sudan
- Rain over parched lands
- Governments as they look at rural Industry, investment, manufacturing and employment in the face of enormous social and economic change
- Those who are ill at home or in hospital
- Give thanks for the gift of cooler weather

## ABM Reflection

Isaiah 59:1-9a ; Psalm 11, 1 Corinthians 2:1-13; Matthew 5:13-20

Blessed people make a difference. When lives are lived as Jesus teaches, the world is a better place. Other people notice and feel the benefit. Jesus described this influence in two words - salt and light.

**Prayer:** Lord, may the light of Christ shine for us and through us, gently and clearly, even when we are not aware of it.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of the Sudan (covers Sudan and South Sudan).



## Banjo Paterson Festival Today's Program

**The 8:30am Service** will conclude with Hand Bells ringing, and be followed by Morning Tea on the church lawn. Come, enjoy the food and company.

**The 10:30am Service** will also be followed by ringing of Hand Bells and **Morning Tea** on the lawn.

From 11.30am until 12.15pm a **'Quarter Peal'** will be rung - a special ring for these celebrations.

**An Historical Display**, arranged by the Historical Society, will be open in the Bluestone Hall: 11:30am – 1:00pm.

**A Parish Luncheon** begins in the Memorial Hall at 12:30pm, with Elizabeth Griffin as the Guest Speaker, speaking about Banjo Paterson. *Please 'bring a plate' to share - cold dishes, please.*

*All are welcome.*

(Banjo Paterson was baptized when the Bluestone Hall was the Parish Church. A copy of the entry in the Baptism Register is displayed in the glass case at the back of the Church.)

**A Planning Meeting for the 10:30am Service** will be held in the Parish Centre at 4.00pm **this afternoon. All welcome.**

## Singers Needed

The Choir is seeking new members. Practices are held at 7:30pm each Wednesday in the Choir Vestry. If you are interested, please speak to the organist after to-day's service, or contact Pamela on 6362 3158. All vocal parts are needed.

## Annual Women's Retreat

10th-13th March at Shalom House of Prayer, Carcoar. **Registration forms are available - in the church and in the hall.**

## Coming Events

**AWA Morning Tea**, February 14, 10:00am

**Ash Wednesday**, March 5

**Diocesan Day of Prayer**, March 7

## Parish Annual Meetings

Sunday, March 16:  
after the 9:30am service at Borenore  
and at 3:30pm in the Parish Centre.

## Blessing of the Harvest:

April 6, 10:30am, at Mortimer's Vineyard

## Retirement

### and Clergy Appointments' Board

Archdeacon Frank's final service as Rector will be at 10:30am on April 27. A farewell Luncheon will follow at 12:30pm at the Orange Ex-Services Club. More details later.

As the Appointment's Board seeks a new priest please do pray for them in their 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.*

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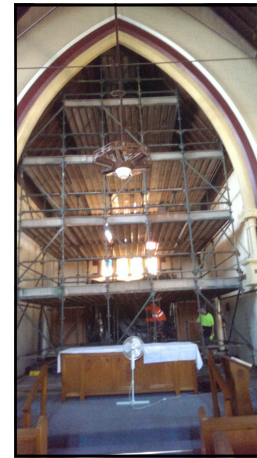
## Confirmation 2014

Confirmation is the re-affirmation of baptismal vows by people of mature years. Please contact the Parish Office **as soon as**

possible, to register interest, or for more information - for both children and adults.

## Sanctuary Repairs

The sanctuary has been screened off to reduce the ingress of dust into the church as slates on the northern roof are to be replaced; "drummy" plaster renewed and the timber panelling on the Western wall refurbished. It is anticipated that this work will be completed by Easter.



**During this Period, The Wednesday congregation** will meet in the Parish Centre. Depending on what is happening in the church, Morning Prayer may also be held in the Parish Centre.

## Lenten Study Book

*These are available at the Parish Office. Cost: \$15. The study book is written by Bishop Steven Croft, Bishop of Sheffield. "Experiencing God's Love", and looks at five different pictures of what it means to live the Christian life. It will provide rich reflection prior to Easter.*

**Sally Atkins**, one of our Licensed Lay Ministers, and **Martin**, resigned from ministry involvement last week. We thank



**Congratulations to  
Christopher Cornforth  
and  
Felicity Probert**

who were married yesterday.

