

This Week's Diary

Sunday January 15 The Second Sunday after Epiphany	Holy Communion, 9:00 am
Monday January 16	Morning Prayer, 8:30am Evening Prayer, 5:30pm Special meeting of the Parish: 7.00pm
Tuesday January 17	Morning Prayer, 8:30am Evening Prayer, 5:30pm
Wednesday January 18	Morning Prayer, 8:30am Holy Communion, 10:30am Evening Prayer, 5:30pm Bishop in Council meeting 9.30am, Bathurst
Thursday January 19	Morning Prayer, 8:30am Evening Prayer, 5:30pm Baptism Team Meeting 3pm
Friday January 20	Morning Prayer, 8:30am Evening Prayer, 5:30pm
Saturday January 21	Holy Communion, 5.30pm
Sunday January 22 The Third Sunday after Epiphany	Holy Communion, 9.00am

Readings: Jonah 3:1-10, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Psalm 62:5-12, Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

Ministries with children are in recess until Sunday, January 29. Colouring sheets are available at the rear of the church.

The next Family Service will be held on Sunday, February 5. Anyone interested in becoming involved in children's or youth ministry, please contact Rachel Budden.

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Growing, loving and serving God in the Community

Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

15th January 2012

The Second Sunday After Epiphany



When God Calls Your Name



Before anything was,
God dreamed of me.

God searches for me,
God finds me.

Before I speak,
God hears me.

Before I move,
God is before me.

Before I was born,
God knew me.

Before I was seen,
God saw me.

Before I was named,
God called me.

Before I give praise,
God calls me here.

Source unknown

ABM Lectionary Reflection

Like Nathaniel and those who encountered Jesus, we are called to answer the question 'how do you know me?' The Psalmist replied, 'O LORD, you have searched me and you know me.' This means that God knows us, our strengths and weaknesses, and yet he still loves us. He will not reject us, but embraces us. Yet, perhaps the more important question is not Jesus 'how do you know me,' but 'how do you know Jesus?'

- Pray for those who are walking in darkness, having not seen the light, and who do not yet know the joy of the Lord
- Pray for those who live in poverty. Pray to be inspired to do justice, love kindness, and to walk humbly with God.

Text: The Revd Drew Schmotzer, chaplain to the Most Revd Dr Mouneer Hanna Anis, Bishop of Egypt with North Africa and the Horn of Africa

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To our visitors Welcome to our parish community. We hope you enjoy your worship here today. Please stay on for a cup of tea after the services if you are able.



Prayer Response

God, you know our ways; in your mercy,
hear our prayer

In our Prayers

- Give thanks for God's blessings
- The Parishes of Condobolin, Coolah-Dunedoo and Coonabarabran.
- Our Parish - that we may welcome newcomers warmly
- Political and economic leaders as current problems are addressed
- The people of Nigeria and Syria
- All who are on holidays at present
- Those who are unwell; those who are dying
- All who mourn the death of Gavin McCarthy and Harry King

"mainly music"

This is a welcoming activity for people with small children based around a time or music and fellowship. We are planning to start a group in Term 2, 2012. Volunteers are needed to assist with morning tea, craft activities and helping to run the music sessions. Please contact Rachel Budden if you would like more information and keep this ministry in your prayers.

It is an excellent way of introducing the Christian faith to young people and families.

Will Graham "Reality"

A local committee is preparing for this event, which takes place in May, 2012. Training and prayer programs are scheduled through March and April.

"Operation Andrew" prayer cards are available at the entrances.

Parishioners are invited to support the event financially. Gifts can be placed in the duplex envelopes, marked accordingly. \$1,500 has been pledged over 3 months.

Dates for the Diary

- Cursillo Sunday: 12th February
- Ash Wednesday: 22nd February
- Good Friday: 6th April
- Easter Day: 8th April

Planning for Lent 2012

Two different study programs are being provided for personal and group use during Lent. One is based around the promises made in baptism and linked to the Sunday readings. A study booklet produced for the Anglican Communion entitled '**And it was Good**' contains five reflections on Creation. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to order a copy.

Certificate in Theology and Ministry

This program aims to help people look at, and reflect on their lives and ministry, with a view to strengthening their discipleship in their everyday lives. The six units over 8 sessions, cover Experiencing Faith, Understanding the Old Testament, Understanding the New Testament, The Anglican Church, What we Believe, and Serving Christ Today. Usually, three units are taught per year. If you would like more information about participating, please contact Father Frank on 6362 1623.

WANTED

We are seeking new members for our Parish Choir, and additional organists to join our roster. If interested, please speak to Pam at the end of today's service or contact the Parish office. Choir Practice resumes on Wednesday, 8th February, 2012.



Special Meeting

**January 16, 7.00pm -
in the Parish Centre**



Bishop Richard will be conducting this Meeting as part of a series of such meetings around the Diocese. It will provide relevant information regarding the progress of the implementation of the Synod Resolution 2011-20 (which addresses the Diocesan Debt and its management), and what still needs to be done.

This will be an open forum in which information can be shared 'first-hand' and questions asked and answered.

All Parishioners are encouraged to attend.

Please read the present edition of Anglican News for background information.

AUSTRALIA DAY BBQ

Thursday, January 26th, 5.30pm.

A service of Holy Communion followed by a barbeque in The Memorial Hall.

Meats will be purchased.
(Gold coin donation.)

Please add your name to the list - for catering purposes. If you are able

to bring a salad, sweet, drinks to share, please do so.



Annual General Meeting

Sunday, February 26 at 11.00am

Leaders of groups and organizations, are asked to have **annual reports** to the Parish Centre by Friday, January 20, please. 2012 is an election year. Please speak with people whom you may wish to nominate as Church Wardens, Parish Council members and Synod representatives.

Hospital Visits

There is no full time chaplain at Orange Health Services at the moment. If there are patients there who would appreciate a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office so that one can be arranged. Similarly, if someone is in Dudley Hospital, please let us know. This helps the clergy enormously. **Thank you.**

Keys for all Parish Buildings

A new key system will soon be introduced. Present key holders will be asked to return existing keys and will be issued with new ones when the new system is installed.

Watch this space!

NAME BADGES !

The wearing of your name badge will assist Rev'd Jane and others who are new to our Parish. Please help with this as you can.

Help Needed

After many years of faithful service, Marj Marshall is standing down from helping at the doors and co-ordinating helpers. We need a replacement for her. Please talk to the Rector if you are interested.

For Sale

Three excellent books are available from the Parish Office:

As the Sparks Fly Upward.
Australian Native Plants to Grow in and around Orange.

Every Valley, Hill, Mountain and Plain, a history of the Anglican Diocese of Bathurst.

Have you explored these yet?