

This Week's Diary

Sunday July 1 5th after Pentecost	Holy Communion Family Service Bible Study Group	7:30am 9:30am 5.00pm
Monday July 2	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:30pm
Tuesday July 3	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Bible Study Group	8:30am 5:30pm 7:30pm
Wednesday July 4	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Evening Prayer Mission Action Planning Group	8:30am 10:30am 5:30pm 7:30pm
Thursday July 5	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5.30pm
Friday July 6	Morning Prayer AWA Meeting Evening Prayer	8:30am 2.00pm 5.30pm
Saturday July 7	Morning Prayer Holy Communion	8:30am 5:30pm
Sunday July 8 6th after Pentecost	Holy Communion Holy Communion Bible Study Group	7:30am 9:30am 5:00pm

Readings: Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10, Corinthians 12:2-10, Psalm 48, Mark 6:1-13

Children's activities are in recess for the School Holidays

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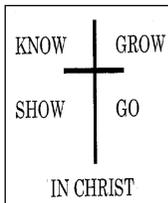
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Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

July 1, 2012

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

From the Rector:

On Wednesday, June 20 members of our Select Committee raised a number of issues with the Diocesan General Manager concerning the sale of the Bluestone Hall. On Friday, June 22, I received an e-mail from the Diocesan Property Trust informing me that the sale of the building was urgent and was being listed for sale.

That process commenced last Monday! Our local committee met on Monday. It felt that it could not fulfil the task of arranging a parish purchase plan in a reduced time frame, and reported its view to Parish Council.

I have written to Bishop Richard, on behalf of its members, and indeed all of us all, expressing the frustration and regret. Remember that a number properties in other parishes are also being readied for market. These sales were proposed at last November's Synod if insufficient funds were raised for the Diocesan Income Account.

The Bluestone Hall, since it was renovated in the 1990s has been a reliable source of income for us. We budgeted for \$50,000 from it this year. Parish Council now faces the very difficult challenge of the finding that amount to balance the budget, or reduce expenditure.

I am concerned for the spiritual, pastoral and emotional wellbeing of our parish in this time of difficulty. This morning's forum in the Parish Centre at 11:15am will focus on change and its effects.

It will be led by Marilyn Wilson, who has many years of experience in working in public and corporate sectors. She can't fix the problems but will help us find ways to work through them.

Please do bring some sandwiches to share for a light lunch afterwards. Soup will be provided. Afterwards, there will be a chance to pray with others for mutual support and encouragement. I hope that you can make it.



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

Merciful God, by your power,
restore us to life

In our Prayers:

- ◆ The church's healing ministry
- ◆ Bishop Richard and diocesan leaders
- ◆ School Chaplains at All Saints, College, Paul Woodhart; Maquarie Anglican Grammar School, Nicholas Hurford; Orange Anglican Grammar School, James Hodson
- ◆ Peace in our troubled world
- ◆ Australia's response to refugees
- ◆ All who travel on our roads during the school holidays
- ◆ The sick and all who care for them
- ◆ The Hughes and Wilks families in their sadness

Welcome to today's Family Service

Please do take the opportunity to join us for a sausage sandwich in the Memorial Hall afterwards.

Please also take home with you copies of **the diocesan paper, rosters** for July and the **parish prayer diary**.

At next Sunday's Fellowship luncheon,

Bill Marshall will speak about the book he launched recently, "A Cultural History of Orange." If you are planning to come, please bring some food or drink to share. Lunch commences at 12.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Thanks to those who helped with the **Anglicare stall** two weeks at Bunnings. Over \$400 was raised.

The flowers at the pulpit this weekend
are in loving memory
of
Les Warburton

Book Group

The group meets next on July 12 at 7.30 p.m. at 69 Prince Street, home of John and Meg Hoskin. The book to be discussed is 'Jasper Jones' by Craig Silvey. All welcome.

ABM Reflections

2 Samuel 1.1, 17-27; Psalm 130;
2 Corinthians 8.(1-6) 7-15; Mark 5.21-43

In today's reading from St Mark's Gospel, we see that Jesus brings healing to Jairus' daughter and to the woman who had suffered from haemorrhages for a very long time. Both those situations seem hopeless – a girl who was so sick she was assumed to be dead, and a woman who had endured much by way of ineffective medical treatment for a chronic, serious condition. Jesus brings healing for both these people.

Today's question: How can I bring healing on behalf of Jesus to those around me who are trapped by seemingly hopeless circumstances?

Pray for all who are afflicted by seemingly hopeless situations, that they may be brought out of their distress

Give thanks for the work of the Anglican Health Network, and for all Anglican hospitals throughout the world.

'Foundations' is a short course run by Fusion Australia. A course will run at 'Maranatha' campsite near Lithgow from Monday July 9 to Saturday July 14. 'Foundations' opens a doorway to an integrated Christian life. It provides important and practical tools to help you to be more productive in relationships, and in finding your place in God's world. There are both adult and youth streams that run concurrently. For details and costs and an application form phone Malcolm Rankin on 042 7200 453.

Christian Lending Library

The Christian Lending Library is located at 560 Cecil Road Orange and is open every Tuesday 3pm to 8pm and Thursday and 9:30am to 2:30pm. A professional counsellor and Justice of the Peace are also available. For more information please contact Carol on 0423 276 201.

Bathurst Anglican Historical Society

The Inaugural AGM, including a talk on the history of Millthorpe parish by Mrs Elaine Streatfield: Saturday 21st July 2012. Morning tea and registration at 10.30am, at St Mark's Church Hall. A visit to the Millthorpe Museum follows. Lunch will be available there, as well as a talk on the history of the Millthorpe village by the Millthorpe Historical Society. Entry to the museum is \$5 and a luncheon (soup, rolls, sandwiches, slices and tea/coffee) will be available during the talk for \$12.50.

If you are interested in attending the Millthorpe gathering please RSVP to historicalsociety@bathurstanglican.org.au or by phone to Anglican Historical Society Chair, The Reverend Dr Ben Edwards on 6366 8089.

Further information is available at the back of the church.

Note the Date Please

On Sunday, 12 August, at 2:30pm a concert featuring Stephen Aveling-Rowe will be held in the church. Stephen plays organ, cello and piano. Half of the funds raised will support an orphanage in India; the other half, the work of Bruce and Kathy Cummins in the Cameroon.

Helpers to serve a simple afternoon tea in the vestry would be greatly appreciated. Please talk to Rev Jane if you are able to help.

Certificate in Theology and Ministry

Each of the six units take about 6 to 8 weeks to complete. Weekly readings are provided. The sessions take about one and a half hours. Unit 1, "Experiencing Faith" it is being offered. Already there are a couple of starters, but more are needed. Each subject costs \$50.

An information sheet about the course is available at the back of the church. Please speak to the Rector today if you would like more information.

Back to Church Sunday this year will be held on Sunday, August 26. please make a note of the date and begin thinking about people you may wish to invite.

Praying for our Parish

At this time of Diocesan crisis, we have been called to prayer, seeking God's wisdom and blessing for this parish and the diocese. Each Friday afternoon at 5:30 pm, a group gathers in the Chapel to pray Evening Prayer together. You might like to join them in person, or from your home.

Prayer of the week

*Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we pray,
and give more than either we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask,
save through the merits and meditation of Jesus Christ,
your Son our Lord. Amen.*