

This Week's Diary

Sunday July 6	Holy Communion	8:30am
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	10:30@HTO	10:30am
Monday July 7	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:00pm
Tuesday July 8	Morning Prayer	8:30am
Bishop's Leadership Team meeting – Bathurst	Evening Prayer	5:00pm
	Stewardship: Vison and Mission Group	7:30pm
Wednesday July 9	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Holy Communion	10:30am
	Choir Practice	4:30pm
	Evening Prayer	5:00pm
Thursday July 10	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:00pm
	Parish Council Meeting	7:00pm
Friday July 11	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	AWA Morning Tea	10:00am
	Evening Prayer	5:00pm
	Healing in a Broken World	7:00pm
Saturday July 12	Healing in a Broken World	10:00am
	Healing in a Broken World	1:00pm
	Holy Communion	5:00pm
Sunday July 13	Confirmation Service	9:00am
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	<i>Followed by Morning Tea</i>	
	Healing in a Broken World	Approx: 11:00am
	Parish Lunch	12:30pm
Readings: Genesis 25:19-34, Psalm 119.105-112, Romans 8:1-11, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23		

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To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

6 July, 2014

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

When I agreed to come as your Transitional Priest, I had already booked some months earlier to go on retreat this week which is why I am not with you this weekend. So, although I am absent from you physically, I will continue in prayer for you all, especially as you gather to celebrate the Eucharist together. And I am grateful that you have Canon Margaret leading you in worship and responding to the administrative and pastoral needs of the parish.

My annual retreat is always silent and for eight days, joining in worship with the Abby community four times each day. Apart from other benefits, it is a time for reflection, for contemplation, and contemplation is not navel-gazing! Nor is contemplation a particular way of praying, or only special people can do it. Anyone can.

Contemplation is an orientation towards life itself that has been described as "a long, loving look at the real" (Walter Burghardt's). It is aided by silence, by wordless prayer, by a disciplined commitment to come before God, being attentive or fully present to what is around us and within us.

The time or occasions we 'go apart', or set aside for silent prayer, provides a 'space' in which we allow God's 'gaze' to fall on us. This then reveals to us where we need

to change, or grow, or what we need to do, or can let go of in order to better reflect and express in our daily living something of God's presence. The more attentive we are to our own inner life, and to the promptings of God's Spirit within, the more clearly we will see the face and presence of God in every human face, as we recognize too our connection with all that is. By this we also learn what Jesus means when he speaks of loving our neighbor as ourselves.

In peace and blessing,

Fr Ian

Transitional Priest

COME
TO ME

I WILL
GIVE
YOU
REST

Mt
11:28



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, we come to you.

Give us rest and refreshment.

In our prayers:

- Bishop Ian Palmer and Liz, and the Diocese
- Chaplaincies: Orange Hospitals, Bathurst Gaol, and Dubbo Juvenile Justice Centre
- The Parish Appointment Board, seeking an appointment for this parish
- Our Parish; Father Ian and Margaret; LLMs Heather, Louis, Lyn, Max and Ray
- Those preparing for Confirmation or Reception: Sophie Benton, Sally Beasley, Mitchell King, Madeleine Heath, Hugo Brettschneider, Lenice Foster, Jill Carthew and Cheryl Watson
- Peace in Thailand, Nigeria, the Ukraine, Russia, Syria and Iraq
- All held hostage and efforts to free them
- Iraq's Christians; for peace and justice
- Support for the people of the Sudan
- The Mackinney and Coore families in their grieving
- Those suffering from the winter weather

ABM Reflections

Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45.10-17; Romans 7.14-25; Matthew 11.15-19 (20-24) 25-30

Jesus commands us to listen as he paints a picture of daily life in Palestine telling his listeners that his deeds are misunderstood but 'wisdom will be vindicated by her deeds.' Read on and see what happens. Verses 25-30 are captioned "Jesus Thanks His Father". How often do we forget to say thank you? So much can be packed into those two little words.

Do we recognise the gifts God has given to us, or are we too weighed down with all that has gone wrong, all that is burdensome? Jesus invites us to give our burdens to him. If we do this then hopefully we should be able to see clearly.

In verses 20-24 which can be omitted from this reading, we see cities being chastised for their lack of gratefulness, their reluctance for their people to repent of their sins and the comparison with other more grateful cities. Failing to show our gratitude is such a human failing. But that does not excuse it. When we think of a yoke we think of a collar, a collar that is not easily removed. There is the everyday image of the donkey, yoked ready to pull a heavy load, but Jesus tells those that have come to him, that by following him they can make their burdens lighter because he will take the heavy load. As their shepherd he carries their burdens for them.

Questions: Using an old colloquialism, can I see the wood for the trees? Am I able to look past the obstacles in my life? Am I able get past them?

Pray for the ability to look at yourself honestly, to see yourself as Christ sees you. Pray for the Church of the Province of South East Asia, 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*

Dates for your Diary

Hymnfest: 24 August. Details: soon.

Spring Fair: 8 November .

"Healing in a Broken World"

Bishop Ian and his wife, Liz, are coming to lead this Retreat on 11th-13th July, commencing on the Friday night, and finishing on the Sunday - following the Confirmation Service and morning tea.

"This is an exciting course that takes participants on a journey towards a truer humanity and a greater empathy with others."

Full details are contained in the fliers 'at the doors'. All are welcome.

If planning to attend, please notify Leslie now: 6362 1623.

Are You coming?

Confirmation Service: 9am, 13 July
with Bishop Ian officiating

Please note:

***This will be the only Service that day,
and will take place in Holy Trinity.***

The Service will be followed by morning tea - please, would you 'bring a plate'?

Fellowship Luncheon: 12:30pm, 13 July
Please 'bring a plate' to share. **All welcome.** Speaker: Bishop Ian Palmer.

Diocesan Parish Camp

15-17 August 2014, at Ridgecrest.

A reminder that details and Registration Forms are on our Notice Boards. Registrations close on: 31st July 2014.

"No matter your age, there will be something for you."

Contact: Rev Phil Howes on 6889 1046.

**Today, the flowers at the Pulpit
are in loving memory
of
Les Warburton**

Please Note:

Service Times

The time for the week-day Evening Prayer Service has moved to 5:00pm - for at least the winter months.

And in consultation with the Vigil Eucharist congregation this service has now moved to **5:00pm** as well.

The 10:30 Family Service Planning Group

After 14 months of functioning, the Sunday 10:30 Planning Group is being reviewed by the clergy in consultation with Elaine Cooper.

If parishioners have any ideas/suggestions for consideration please pass them on to Fr. Ian, Canon Margaret or Elaine Cooper.

Diocesan Meeting

Bishop Ian is calling this meeting in order to **keep the Diocese informed** about the present matters within the Diocese following the recent Judicial advice and flow-on effects.

**Saturday 19th July starting at 10am
(Coffee from 9.30am)
at St Barnabas Church Orange.**

Bishop Ian is particularly inviting all Active Clergy, Members of our Diocesan Synod, LLMs, Treasurers and Wardens - but all worshipping Anglicans will be **welcome.**

Please be in prayer about this - it is a very important meeting and more information will be coming out about it in the near future.

The South Sudan Conflict Emergency Appeal

Our response to this appeal is now completed. **Thank-you.**

Anglicare Food Service
Thank-you for all your contributions.