

This Week's Diary

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| Sunday June 15 | Holy Communion 8:30am 10:30@HTO 10:30am <i>Holy Communion</i> | |
| Trinity Sunday | | |
| | Evensong in the Cathedral - Canon Margaret Finlay is preaching | |
| Monday June 16 | Morning Prayer 8:30am Evening Prayer 5:00pm | |
| Tuesday June 17 | Morning Prayer 8:30am Evening Prayer 5:00pm | |
| Wednesday June 18 | Morning Prayer 8:30am Holy Communion 10:30am Choir practice 4:30pm Evening Prayer 5:00pm | |
| | Bishop in Council Meeting in Bathurst | |
| Thursday June 19 | Morning Prayer 8:30am Evening Prayer 5:00pm Parish Council meeting 7:30pm | |
| | An Ecumenical Anglican/Catholic Covenant Day in Wellington | |
| Friday June 20 | Morning Prayer 8:30am Evening Prayer 5:00pm | |
| Saturday June 21 | Holy Communion 5:30pm | |
| Sunday June 22 | Holy Communion 8:30am 10.30@HTO 10.30am | |
| | Second Sunday after Pentecost | |

Readings: Genesis 21:8-21, Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17, Romans 6:1-11, Matthew 10:24-39

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Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

15 June, 2014

Trinity Sunday

They say 'it takes two to tango', or if you come from Africa, 'it takes a whole village to raise a child'. Both statements contain an important truth, that we are interdependent NOT independent. We need each other in order to make a community. And this is especially true of the church, the community of faith. We belong together by virtue of our common baptism and our shared faith and of our membership of this parish.

Last week's 'presentation' of our various offerings highlighted the extensive, varied and generous giftedness with which we as a community are blessed. Thank-you for all that you are and all that you do as you strive to live your discipleship of Christ. Remember however, that great or small, out front or behind the scenes, obvious or hidden, each and every 'offering' of what you are blessed with, good at, or just simply willing to contribute, each and every offering is valued and is all part of the rich tapestry of ministry which God calls forth from within us for the sake of the world, the blessing of others.

Last week I mentioned some teaching of St. Augustine, one of the great teachers of the early church, which I repeat:

"Become what you are", he said.

Who are we? The body of Christ.

"Become what you receive"

What do we receive? The body of Christ.

Enabled by God's spirit within us and amongst us, may we rejoice and celebrate and continually offer who we are, with all that we're blessed, for God's glory, the blessing of others and the building up of the household of faith.

In peace and blessing,

Fr Ian

Transitional priest

Trinity Sunday

This is also our *Patronal Festival* or the day when we celebrate the name of our parish Church, which is under the patronage of the Holy Trinity.

To-day, as a small symbol of celebration all are invited to take home a piece of cake, which also points to us each being a part of the whole - both of the parish community and of the family of God.

Thank-you

to all who have baked for us.



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:

Holy God, Holy and Strong One
hear our prayer.

In our prayers:

- Bishop Ian Palmer and Liz, and the Diocese
- The parishes of Warren, Wellington and West Wyalong
- The Parish Appointment Board, seeking an appointment for this parish
- Those preparing for Confirmation or Reception: Madeline Heath, Sophie Benton, Sally Beasley, Hugo Brettshneider, Mitchell King, Lenice Foster, Jill Carthew and Cheryl Watson
- Peace in Thailand, Nigeria, the Ukraine, Russia and Syria
- The school children held hostage in Nigeria, and efforts to free them
- Support for the people of the Sudan
- Rain in parched areas
- Those who are unwell
- The McIntyre and Watson families in their grieving

ABM Reflections

Exodus 34.1-8;

The Song of the Three Young Men 29-34;
2 Corinthians 13.11-13; Matthew 28.16-20

Community of Love

Our understanding of the mystery of God is never complete. Our attempts to express this mystery are inadequate but they are enough to stir our imaginations and engage us in the dynamic of worship. The Trinity is a classic way of approaching the mystery of God. God is personal and relational but cannot be contained. God is capable of mutuality and outreach within and beyond God's self. God is the end and the beginning; immanent and transcendent; the sending God who is sent and is still sending: Creator, Redeemer, Spirit. God is a community of love. As people made in

the image of God we are likewise called to be a community of love. We call this the *ecclesia*, the church, the community of faith and action. Jesus is for us the author and founder of our life together as Christians. Our common mission is to make disciples of ourselves and others; to baptize in the name of the Trinity, to welcome others into the community of love in God's image. We are reassured in this mission that God is who God is who God will be. God will be present with us to the end of the age.

Questions: Where do we find opportunities to engage in a community of love? Where do we seek and find God in this experience?

Prayer: Give thanks to God for our Creation and Redemption and the gift of the Spirit within, between and beyond us and remember those who seek the gift of Baptism into Christ.

Give thanks for the work and witness of La Iglesia Filipina Independiente, the Philippines Independent Church.

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. AAPB p 212

Today, the flowers at the Pulpit
are in loving memory
of
Mal Middleton

Please Note:

Service Times

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

An Ecumenical Anglican/Catholic Covenant Day in Wellington: 19 June

Theme: Worship and Liturgy. Lunch & fellowship will follow the Speakers.

Full details are available at the entrances.

RSVP to Dean Anne Wentzel, as soon as possible, please - 6331 4711.

“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.

This is a Retreat being offered around the Diocese, which we look forward to hosting, giving a great opportunity to attend ‘on the spot’!

Full details are contained in the fliers ‘at the doors’. All are welcome to attend.

If planning to attend, please notify Leslie in the Parish Office: 6362 1623.

Confirmation Service: 9am, 13 July

with Bishop Ian officiating

Please note that this will be the only Service that morning, and will take place in Holy Trinity.

Coming ‘Events’

Please see Church and Hall Notice Boards for details regarding a variety of forthcoming activities — both local and beyond.

HOLY BAPTISM

We welcome into the Church
of God
Koda Michael Ryan

Anglicare Food Service

ANGLICARE NSW South, NSW West, and ACT has commenced a food Pantry from its rooms in Orange. In the future we will forward to them the food items that people give via the ‘shopping trolley’. Suggestions of suitable items are on the enclosed flier. All such contributions are very gratefully received.

Spring Fair

Saturday 8 November 2014

Yes, it's on again!

I would love to hear from parishioners willing to manage stalls! *And.....* if anyone has fresh ideas for new stalls, please email me: (middo53@hotmail.com) or phone (6362 0141).

Planning meetings will commence in mid-July. Let's aim to make this event a wonderful community effort and outreach! Lynne Middleton, Co-ordinator.

Talents Festival

This time of *intentional* exploration of our giftedness and talents formally concluded last week-end, although many people may well wish to continue their own journey of self discovery and/or exercising of particular talents/gifts — to benefit the mission of the church. *Enjoy doing so!*

It was a great effort on the part of many people, and the positive comments include:

‘It was rewarding to be involved’,

‘The increased fellowship was great, which included fellowship with ‘new’ folk’,

‘I have learned that we can continue to use our talents to work for the church’,

‘Sometimes we need a gentle reminder to use our talents’,

‘Stepping out in faith brings amazing results’.

As for material rewards for exercising practically-based talents, to date this effort has raised: \$9,093.55. What a result!

Thanks
be to
God!