

This Week's Diary

Sunday November 11 24th Sunday after Pentecost	Holy Communion	7:30am
	Holy Communion	9:30am
	Bible Study Group	5:00pm
Monday November 12	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Baptism Preparation	7:30pm
Tuesday November 13	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Bible Study Group	7:00pm
Wednesday November 14	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Holy Communion	10:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Choir Practice	7:30pm
	Licensed Lay Ministers	7:30pm
Thursday November 15	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
	Parish Council	7:30pm
Friday November 16	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Evening Prayer	5:30pm
Saturday November 17	Morning Prayer	8:30am
	Holy Communion	5:30pm
Sunday November 18 24th Sunday after Pentecost	Holy Communion	7:30am
	Holy Communion	9:30am
	Bible Study Group	5:00pm

Readings: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17, Psalm 127, Hebrews 9:23-28, Mark 12:38-44

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To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

11 November 2012

Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

From the Rector,

This week, Bishop Len Eacott, Anglican Bishop to the Australian Defence Forces said: "This year Remembrance Day coincides with Defence Sunday, November 11. While Remembrance Day recalls the tragedy of World War I and the hopes of peace which came with the Armistice on November 11, 1918, the experience of the 20th century in the first decade of this century reveals that this hope remains unfulfilled.

Tragically, Australian service personnel continue to die in combat in the Middle East and the numbers of physical, psychological and spiritual casualties continues to increase. This brings with it an obligation to provide ongoing pastoral and spiritual care and comfort, and the greatest support that the Church can provide to its chaplains engaged in this mission is prayer and understanding.

Defence Sunday is an opportunity for the whole church to prayerfully support the ministry and mission of the Anglican clergy serving as military chaplains, the Anglican laity and their families who serve in the Defence Forces, as well as for the wounded and the grieving."

Let us not forget that the Bell Tower was constructed as a memorial to those who

died in World War I, and the Memorial Hall to those who served in World War 2 and Korea.

I have been told that two of the flags hanging in the Tower Memorial area were given by Sir Neville Howse, the first Australian to be awarded a Victoria Cross.

This prayer comes from page 204 of A Prayer Book for Australia:

Eternal God, the only source of peace, we pray for all who serve in the defence and police forces of this land.

Give them courage and comfort in danger, patience in waiting, and discipline in the just use of force. Help us to seek for all people the freedom to serve you and each other in compassion and peace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



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

Giver of life, for all your good gifts to us,
we give you thanks and praise.

In our Prayers:

- The Episcopal Church of Sudan
- The parishes of Coonamble, Cowra and Cudal
- Bishop Richard as he prepares for retirement and the Bishop's Election Board
- On this Armistice Day give thanks for the gift of peace and pray for those who serve in our Armed Services
- Peace in Syria and its region
- All who served in public office
- Victims of natural disasters
- People who are hospitalised and those who are in nursing homes.

Bishop Richard and Christine Hurford were farewelled yesterday in a moving service in All Saints' Cathedral, Bathurst, attended by a number of bishops and many clergy and people representing the diocese. The Bishop laid up his Pastoral Staff, which will be presented to his successor at their commissioning. Please do remember the Bishop Election Board in its work.

Thank you from the Rev. Tim Fogo. \$180 was given last Sunday towards the purchase of Bibles for the graduating class at OAGS. Gifts can still be made using the special envelopes.

Copies of **Anglican News** are available today. Please take one with you and one for a friend.

November rosters are also available today.

ABM Reflections

Ruth 3.1-5; 4.3-17; Psalm 127; Hebrews 9.(19-22) 23-28; Mark 12.38-44

One striking thing about the passage in Ruth is the sheer thoughtfulness of Naomi towards Ruth's future (in verse 1). She knows she is advancing in age and wants to ensure that she leaves a secure future for her daughter-in-law 'friend'. She of course did not need to take that trouble upon herself, after all Ruth was an adult woman. But that is not how this 'friendship' works, it looks at the need or plight of the other, yes, at the expense of one's own need. There is a subtle truth that putting others first before one's self produces the best in others to do the same; and if everyone did the same the world certainly would be a better and fair world, just like Jesus would love it to be. The world does not appear to be fair because we often all like to put our personal interests first and forget about those who are on the edges of society.

Pray that we may find courage, encouragement and joy in serving others above and beyond our personal needs and interests.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

Money boxes for ABM's work are available at the back of the church. Please take one and use it regularly. "From little things big things grow."

Fellowship Luncheon: there will a luncheon today for those wanting to attend. It will commence at 12.30pm in the Parish Centre. Please bring food and drink to share.

For Sale
Trinity Retirement Village
refurbished 2 bedroom unit. All
enquiries to the Parish Office.

Spring Fair , 10 November, 2012

Thank you Lynne Middleton and her very hard working committee for all their efforts in preparing for yesterday's Spring Fair. It was a great occasion. The pre fair Craft sales last Wednesday totaled \$2500! Financial results and winners of the various competitions will be announced in the bulletin next Sunday.

A Request to all groups using the Memorial Hall: please ensure that the floor is swept, that garbage bins are lined before use, that the stove, sink and microwave and refrigerator are all clean and that the toilets are tidy when your activity finishes. There have been some difficulties in recent weeks because some of these things have not been done. Groups which use the Hall have been asked to help us by being vigilant in the use. Our paid cleaners come on Tuesday mornings.

At the time of choosing a Bishop.

Eternal God, shepherd and guide, in your mercy give your Church in this diocese a shepherd after your own heart who will walk in your ways, and with loving care watch over your people. Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth. So may your church be built up and your name and glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The flowers in the church
this weekend
are in loving memory of
Paul Larence and John Parsons

HOLY BAPTISM
We welcome into the Church
of God today:
Anique Gwendoline Smedts

Orange Community Christmas Lunch

Brochures are available today seeking support and helpers for this year's luncheon. The program runs from 12 pm until 2:30 pm. Every year since 1998, over 400 people have received a Christmas lunch and fellowship together.

On the Notice Board: an Open Day at Eagle Park Stud, Cadia Road, Springside to raise funds for the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children. All welcome.

Spring Serenade Concert, Sunday 18 November, 3pm; St John's Church, Molong. Featuring string ensemble and organ with music mainly from the 18th century. Tickets at the door \$20/\$15 concession.

Trinity Foundation News

Last Tuesday, workman completed re-rendering the higher wall on the western side of the church with lime plaster. This will allow the bricks to breathe. The lower walls have been reappointed with lime mortar. This work cost \$39,402. Next the slates above the sanctuary and priest's vestry will be replaced, along with ridge capping and box drains, costing a further \$39,000. Ground work on the south-western corner will be completed once the scaffold is removed. Lowering the ground level to below the top of the bluestone foundations will greatly assist in eliminating moisture problems. Good News!!

