

This Week's Diary

Sunday November 3 <i>Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Holy Communion Family Service, with: Baptism Bears' Reunion A Remembrance Service for the Bereaved Bible Study Group	8:30am 10:30am 3:00pm 5:00pm
Monday November 4	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:30pm
Tuesday November 5	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer Bible Study Group Vision and Mission planning Group	8:30am 5:30pm 7:30pm 7:30pm
Wednesday November 6	Morning Prayer Holy Communion (All Souls' Day) Evening Prayer Choir Practice	8:30am 10:30am 5:30pm 7:30pm
Thursday November 7	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:30pm
Friday November 8	Morning Prayer Diocesan Synod Begins in Bathurst	8:30am 7:00pm
Saturday November 9	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:30pm
Sunday November 10 <i>Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Holy Communion Family Service Bible Study	8:30am 10:30am 5:00pm

**Readings: Haggai 1:15b-2:9, Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21,
Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17, Luke 20:27-40**

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Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples

3 November 2013

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

From the Rector,

It slipped quietly by last Friday. All Saints' Day in western Christendom became associated with the multitude of saints who had witnessed to their faith with their lives in the Pantheon in Rome, which in 609 was consecrated as a church in their memory. The meaning of the celebration has shifted from a commemoration of all those faithful Christians have gone before us with the sign of faith to a commemoration of all those whose Christian lives were especially noteworthy and memorable.

Yesterday was "All Soul's Day". It began in the Abbey of Cluny in the 10th century. Originally All Saints' Day was the day on which Christians remembered with gratitude and love all those who had gone before them in the faith of Christ. As the idea of a "saint" changed from being "a member of the holy people" to one whose response to Christ's call was especially noteworthy, Christians felt the need to continue to give thanks and praise for those not singled out for such commendation. It is important to remember that saints, men and women, belong to only one church and there is a deeply felt communion between heaven and earth.

There is a difference between those

relationships in heaven and those on earth. We believe that one thing that will give us a place in that number, the essential mark upon them, is the mark of Love— like the Love of Christ, devoted to the will of the Father and poured out in love for their neighbour; that is what makes a Christian saint. God is beautiful in God's saints. We are hopeful because of them.

All Souls' Day is an expression of Christian love and affection for departed relatives and friends. We ask that all the faithful departed may share in the victory of the resurrected Lord.

Unfortunately, modern culture (the American influence of Halloween - the eve of All Hallows = All Saints'), has turned a day of hope and celebration into an activity that loses the deep significance of our connection to God. It is a far cry from the words "O Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in".



**ZACCHAEUS HURRY
DOWN · LK 19 · 5-10**

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, make us be numbered with your saints
in that glory which is everlasting.

In our prayers:

- Bishop Ian Palmer and Liz and all leaders of our diocese at this time
- The parishes of Bourke-Brewarrina, Canowindra and Cobar
- Those preparing for Synod next weekend
- Our Spring Fair
- Resolution to international challenges of finance, warfare, and environmental abuse, especially in Syria
- Those affected by bush fires
- Students sitting for exams, and their families
- the Seale and Bouffler families in the sadness

ABM Reflection

Habakkuk 1.1-4; 2.1-4; Psalm 119.137-144; 2 Thessalonians 1.1-4, 11-12; Luke 19.1-10
Christ passed by and he picked Zacchaeus out in a kaleidoscope of faces. My faces are beautiful satin brown in Manila, with splashes of other colours. I never saw my great-grandmother. She was barred from view by race and then by death: but Annie is in my bones when I hear the didgeridoo. I look at her photo and see a mix of hurt and love.

Today's questions: "The Creed and the colour and the name won't matter". Elsewhere and in Australia? Really?

- Prayer: Lord, keep my great-grandmother safe and happy. Your son was rejected and he will recognize the signs in her face.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

We welcome family and friends

To today's Baptism Bears Reunion, an annual feature of our life together.

This afternoon at 3:00pm, a Service for the Bereaved

will take place in the church. This service provides an opportunity for those who have experienced loss or sadness to spend a little time in a safe space reflecting on God's compassionate care in the face of their sadness.

Lists for names to be remembered at the All Souls' Service at 10.30 am next Wednesday morning, are available at the entrances to the church.

Pre-Fete Craft Sale

Wednesday **6th November**, 2013.
2:00pm to 5:00pm at 12 Juniper Place, Orange. Afternoon tea supplied. Enquiries: Gabrielle Ph. 6362 8041 Mob.0439 465483

Parish Fellowship Luncheon

Next Sunday's luncheon commences at 12:30 pm in the Parish Centre. Dr Louis Christie, well known to us as a Licensed Lay Minister, will speak about "Holistic Health Care". Please do bring some food or drink to share. The luncheons usually conclude by 2 pm. **Everyone is welcome** to come along.

Peaceful Central Quality Retirement Villa – Holy Trinity Village

This is a comfortable 2 bedroom villa set amongst beautifully maintained gardens with only 8 other villas, new paint and carpet. It also features air conditioning and a single garage with internal access.

All enquiries to the Parish Office.
between 9am and 1pm - 6362 1623.

Diocesan Synod

Synod begins in All Saints' Cathedral, Bathurst next Friday evening at 7:00pm with the Synod Eucharist. Afterwards, Bishop Ian will deliver his Presidential Charge, which will include some explanation of the present financial situation in the Diocese. Interested parishioners are invited to attend.

The first business session will commence at 8:45am in the Kelso Parish and Community Hall, and continue through until Sunday morning. Our lay representatives are Len Bailey and Julie Jeffriess.

The Reverend Ted Evenden, who recently retired into Orange, will conduct next Sunday morning's 8:30am Holy Communion service.

St Cecilia's Day Concert

Friday **22 November**, 7:00pm at St John's Church, Molong. Please see the notice board for further information.

Direct Debit Giving

To begin direct debit giving, please make arrangements directly through your own financial institution. The Parish account is: **BSB 082 774, Account no. 391842618.** (NAB, Orange).

All income received by the parish is banked in the parish's name and managed locally. Funds are sent to the Diocese each month to cover costs, like insurances and stipends.

Trust Funds held by the Anglican Managed Investment Fund (AMIF) (such as our Waddington bequest), are kept separately from the Synod Management Fund (now frozen) and the Anglican Development Fund.

Legal advice from a Senior Council is that

neither Trust Funds or property can be used for any purpose other than the trust allows. It is the duty of the Diocesan Property Trust to ensure the safe management of all funds and property held by nature of a trust. It is that advice that prevented the sale of the Bluestone Hall, and a number of properties in other parishes last year.

Please speak to the Treasurer or Rector for further information or clarification.

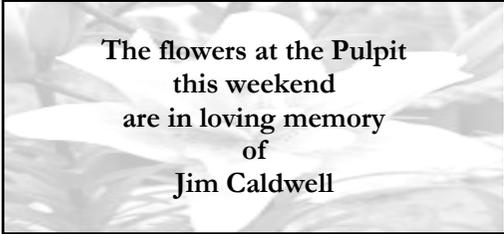
Some Notes about Christmas Services

The last Family Service (10:30@HTO) for this year will be Holy Communion, on Sunday, December 15, followed by a simple lunch and games in the church grounds. 10:30@HTO will recommence on Sunday, February 2, 2014.

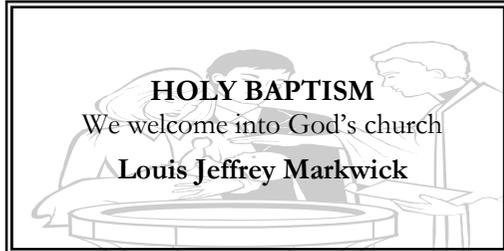
On Sunday, December 22, a service of Advent and Christmas Carols will be held at 10:30am in the church. It will be followed by morning tea. It will be in addition to the 8:30 am Holy Communion service.

Spring Fair

Saturday 9th November — from 8:30am



**The flowers at the Pulpit
this weekend
are in loving memory
of
Jim Caldwell**



HOLY BAPTISM
We welcome into God's church
Louis Jeffrey Markwick