

All Welcome  
**This Week's Diary**

<b>Sunday November 9</b> The 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	Holy Communion Parish Luncheon	8:30am 12:30pm
<b>Monday November 10</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:00pm
<b>Tuesday November 11</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:00pm
<b>Wednesday November 12</b>	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Choir Practice Evening Prayer	8:30am 10:30am 4:30pm 5:00pm
<b>Thursday November 13</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer	8:30am 5:00pm
<b>Friday November 14</b>	Morning Prayer Evening Prayer AWA Morning Tea	8:30am 5:00pm 10:00am
<b>Saturday November 15</b>	Holy Communion	5:30pm
<b>Sunday November 16</b> The 25th Sunday after Pentecost	Holy Communion <i>The 10:30am Service – resumes on</i> <i>30 November</i>	8:30am

**Judges 4.1-10; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11; Matthew 25.14-30**

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# Holy Trinity Anglican Church - Orange

**To make disciples for Christ, who will make disciples**

**9 November 2014**

**Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

In June of this year, within a few weeks of the commencement of my time amongst you, the Bishop of Gippsland, John McIntyre died unexpectedly. I had served under his leadership for a few years prior to my retirement and was greatly impressed by his humility, integrity and passion for the gospel. Let me quote some of his final Presidential address to his diocesan synod, just weeks before he died, in which he spoke about the mission of the church.

To be a missional church, he said, was:

“simply in integrity to be Christ-like and in grace point to Jesus Christ in all we are and all we do....

“It is to be present in community assuring all those whose lives we touch that we are there for their well-being; that we are constantly and consistently committed to peace with justice, mercy and inclusion. Where we can live out that demand, I am convinced people will be drawn anew to faith in Jesus Christ. Then our churches will grow as we participate in the mission of God in the world.”

“In the past”, he said, the understanding and practice of “what we call ‘mission’ was finding ways at attracting people to become part of our group. But the mission of the church is not to grow churches. It is to live under the rule of

God; to live in allegiance solely to Jesus Christ.

“God’s mission has a church. If we make growing churches our aim, we are trying to do God’s work. Our aim is to live in singular allegiance to Jesus. When we do that with integrity and grace, God grows churches as the means by which God’s way is extended in God’s world. Others come to faith in Jesus Christ and join us.”

As St Paul says in his epistle to the Corinthians “the one thing required of stewards (for that is what we are) is that he (she) be found faithful.” (1Cor 4:2)

It is God who gives the growth.

In peace and blessing,

Father Ian.

Transitional Priest.



## 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, hear us.

**Lord, hear our prayer**

### In our prayers:

- The Diocese: Bishop Ian Palmer and Liz
- Parishes of Condobolin, Coolah-Dunedoo, Coonabarabran and Coonamble
- Our Parish
- Father Ian; Canon Margaret
- Peace in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Israel, Gaza and all nations of the Middle East
- Victims of terrorism
- Iraq's Christians; for peace and justice
- Rain on parched lands
- Fr Mal and his family as they make their transition to a new home
- Those preparing for marriage
- Those who are travelling
- All who are unwell

### ABM Reflection

Joshua 24.1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78.1-7; 1 Thessalonians 4.9-18; Matthew 25.1-13

The parable of the ten bridesmaids has been a popular image throughout history, leading to the writing of such spirituals (in my own American context) as *Keep your Lamps Trimmed and Burning*. Matthew was keen to remind his readers that the kingdom might come at any moment, catching those who were not watching for it completely by surprise. In our own time, we might look as well for ways in which the kingdom is being enacted in our midst, sometimes in quite surprising ways.

Pray that we may be a part of the coming of the kingdom of God by witnessing to God's work in our midst.

Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

## Trinity News, Spring-Christmas Edition

Please, if you have not done so, would you collect your copy to-day, together with any bundles to deliver.

**Thank-you** for this valuable gift of your time, with the opportunity to personally connect with others on our Parish Roll.

### The Orange Social Justice and the Amnesty International Australia groups

are co-hosting a free screening of the highly acclaimed documentary of Mary Meets Mohamed, followed by a discussion, as part of a Refugee awareness public meeting. WHEN: Wednesday 19 November 2014, 7.30 pm

WHERE: Wesley Uniting Church Parish Centre Hall, Anson Street Orange

### Healthy Living and Positive Thinking sessions

At Senior Citizen's Centre: 11 November and 9 December. Full details are on the Notice Board.

### Name Badges

**Please**, would you assist by wearing your name badge as often as possible. This will be especially helpful to Father Mal and his family as they get to know us.

### Studies on Benedictine Spirituality.... starting soon.

### 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 a single garage with internal access.

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

## Cursillo Gathering

**5:00pm today** at St Barnabas Church.

Any-one interested in Cursillo - who has been, or is interested in going, - is welcome to attend. Please take a plate for a light meal.

### Spring Fair yesterday

#### THANK-YOU

to Lynne Middleton and her committed team of volunteers who worked so hard to make the annual Spring Fair such a success. This involved much preparation over a long period of time as well as on the day, and the efforts were well rewarded. A great achievement every-one!



### Parish Office

Following Leslie's completion as Office Manager, recruitment is underway to fill that position. In the meantime, **THANK-YOU** to the volunteers who are 'holding the fort' in the office during the regular office hours: 9:00am-1:00pm. Please be aware that there will be limitations in the availability of some services during this time, particularly during Canon Margaret's leave, which commences to-morrow (returning on 20 November). Pastoral ministry will be available during week days, by contacting Father Ted Evenden 0428 696 249, and at week-ends by contacting Father Ian Crooks 6362

**The flowers in the church this week-end are in loving memory of Paul Larence and John Parsons**

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## Fellowship Luncheon

The next bring-and-share luncheon: **12:30pm, today** in the Parish Centre. A great opportunity to relax after the Fair!

### The Service of Commissioning and Installation

of The Rev'd Malcolm Dunnett as Rector of Holy Trinity Parish

**7:00pm**

**Tuesday 25th November**

*Do come and share in the welcome.*

**Please bring a plate towards the supper which will follow in the Parish Centre.**

### Volunteers

Any-one who may wish to be involved in this service (welcomer, possible reader or intercessor, etc) is asked to please leave their details at the Office for Canon Margaret.

Thank-you.



### Baptism Bear Reunion 10:30am, Sunday 30th November

All Baptism Bears are invited

to bring their families and friends to this reunion, to come and enjoy the occasion - which will be followed by a **sausage sizzle**.

This is a great opportunity for the Parish family to share in welcoming these bears, their owners, and their families. Do come.

**All welcome.**