

# Anglican Parish of Woy Woy

## Weekly Bulletin

29 July 2018

10th Sunday after Pentecost

### In the coming week

#### Today

#### Monday 30 July

3.00pm Home Group-Verna Rice

#### Tuesday 31 July

9.00am Cottage Crafters-The Cottage

1.30pm Bible Study-104 Gallipoli Ave

#### Wednesday 1 August

9.30am Mothers Union-St Andrew's

10.00am Communion-Peninsula Village

7.00pm Bible Study-Rosemary Gillham

#### Thursday 2 August

8.30am Communion-St Luke's

10.00am Little Pelicans-St Andrew's

10.30am Coffee & Chat-Ruby's, Umina

#### Friday 3 August

#### Saturday 4 August

9.00am Op-Shop Open

#### Next Sunday 5 August

8.00am Communion-St Andrew's

10.00am Eucharist-St Luke's

3.00pm Liturgy Team-St Andrew's

5.00pm Sunday Night Live-St Andrew's

### Welcome to everyone visiting our churches!

Our services are all slightly different, but each offers a friendly space in which you can worship God and be part of God's community.

**St Andrew's at 8am: Holy Communion** is a less formal worship service.

**St Luke's at 10am: Holy Eucharist** has a more formal style of worship. The Eucharist is also celebrated at St Luke's on Thursdays at 8:30am.

**St Andrew's at 5pm: Sunday Night Live or 4:30pm: Messy Church (3rd Sunday of each month)** is a space for families with children and the young at heart to join in informal and fun worship, discussion and activities.

At our Sunday morning services you will need the **middle pages of this booklet** to join in the prayers and the Psalm that we read together.

If you need a **gluten-free wafer** at Communion, please tell the person who welcomed you at the front door before the service.

### We pray in silence before worship

Before worship speak to God.

During worship let God speak to you.

After Worship speak to each other.

Both of our churches are equipped with an audio loop. If you use a hearing aid, use the 'T' switch to connect.



#### A Most Beautiful Prayer

Our New Testament reading today (Ephesians 3:14-21) contains a beautiful prayer that St Paul prayed for his friends in Ephesus. It deserves to be read slowly and thoughtfully, because there is so much to savour in it.

Have you ever had someone pray for you? And have you experienced the blessing that it has brought?

To have a friend pray that you might be made strong in your inner being with the power of the Holy Spirit and that you might have Christ himself living within you and filling you with love, surely has to be the best ever!

The love of Christ, says Paul, is wider and longer and deeper and higher than we could ever imagine!

Do you remember the old Sunday School song? – 'Wide, wide as the ocean, high as the heavens above, deep, deep as the deepest sea is my Saviour's love'.

Do you have a friend that you could pray for in the way that Paul prays for the church in Ephesus?

In the 'Message' paraphrase of the bible, Eugene Peterson renders the final verses in this way:

*'God can do anything, you know – far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us. Glory to God in the church! Glory to God in the Messiah, Jesus. Glory down all generations! Glory through all millennia! Oh, yes!'*

St Paul is passionate about his faith and about enthusing others in their faith. We need to ask ourselves, are we? Because if we're not, we will not grow in our relationship with God and our church will not grow.

Love and prayers

Rosemary

## From the Parish

### Prayer for all in Newcastle Diocese

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As parishes in the diocese consider future strategies maybe we can each pray this prayer

*Come Holy Spirit of God, restore the lives which, without you, are lifeless and dead; kindle the hearts, which without you, are cold and dull; enlighten the minds which, without you, are dark and blind; fill the church which, without you, is an empty room; teach us how to praise and pray that we may grow together in love and have courage to make wise decisions as servants, messengers and ambassadors of God's reign, all this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

*Amen*

### Parish Service

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Today we extend a warm welcome to Bishop Charlie Murry who will be preaching and celebrating at our service and then he will join us for lunch in the hall afterwards.

### Thanks for your Input

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Thank you to the people who wrote letters to Parish Council and filled in the workbooks. Your feedback is appreciated and helpful and will be included in our submission to the diocese. The results from the workbooks show that we need to develop strategies particularly in the areas of evangelism and engagement with the community.

Copies of our final submission to the diocese will be available early in August. Please continue to pray about this process.

### Tuesday Bible Study

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We will resume this Tuesday. The group meets at 104 Gallipoli Ave, Woy Woy at 1.30pm.

We are looking at the life of David, the great king of Israel. Newcomers are most welcome.

### Diocesan Convention

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The Diocesan Convention this year is to be held at Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College on Saturday 11th August 9.15am - 3.30pm.

The speaker will be Rev'd Dr John Capper.

Topics covered will be apologetics and evangelism, cross-cultural ministry and hearing the voice of children.

It would be good to have a group from our parish attending.

Bookings need to be registered prior to Sunday 5th August, and we can possibly organise car-pooling, so if you wish to attend please add your name to the sign-up sheet .

### Help Wanted!

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We are thinking of producing a quarterly parish magazine with articles from parishioners, news of special events and other information.

Do you have some computer skills and the ability to collate these things and put a publication together? This might be your hidden talent!

Please speak to Denise or Nicola in the office or Rosemary if you think you could help.

### Funeral

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The funeral for Fr Ken Munns will be held at St Luke's at 1pm on Friday 3rd August.

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## We pray in silence before worship

As you prepare for this morning's service please pray for yourself and those around you. You might like to reflect on this thought for the week:

'I am the living bread that came down from heaven,' says the Lord. 'Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'  
John 6.51

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## The prayer of the day

Gracious God,  
you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth: grant that, believing in the one whom you have sent, we may know him to be the true bread of heaven and the food of eternal life, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be glory and honour for ever and ever. Amen.

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## Today's readings

2 Samuel 11.1-15

Psalm 14

Ephesians 3.14-21

John 6.1-15

Jean White

Sunday Night Live

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## This morning's hymns

216 Rejoice, the Lord is king

If I were a butterfly

535 I am the bread of life

429 *Break now the bread of life*

537 Let us talents and tongues employ

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## For our prayers this week

Please pray for:

Community Youth  
Development Project.



### Wider Community:

The First Peoples of the Diocese. Relief Agencies.

### Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Diocese of Guadalcanal. The Anglican Consultative Council.

### The National Church

Mission to Seafarers.

### In the Diocese of Newcastle:

Our Bishop, Peter, Assistant Bishops, Sonia and Charlie. Society of St Francis at Stroud.

### In the Parish of Woy Woy:

We pray for our ministry team, Fr Michael, Rosemary, Fr Peter and Anthea, and we pray for ourselves and the work we do in the mission of this parish.

### For those seeking God's help:

Helen Baker, Rosemary Bond, Shannon, Gabriella Bulloch, Clare, Brett Donnelly, Carol Fraser, Judith Geerin, Jenny, Sandra Heath, Rose Powell, Elaine Rand, Lucy Roy, Mary.

Please pray for Peter and Michael Munns and Steven following the death of Fr. Ken last Thursday.

Also, The Revd. Lisbeth Parton on the death of her husband Fr. John on 21 July.

Would those who wish to include names in the above list, please ensure that permission has been obtained from the person or their carer.

## Readings for this week

### 2 Samuel 11.1-15

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In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him; they ravaged the Ammonites, and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

It happened, late one afternoon, when David rose from his couch and was walking about on the roof of the king's house, that he saw from the roof a woman bathing; the woman was very beautiful. David sent someone to inquire about the woman. It was reported, 'This is Bathsheba daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' So David sent messengers to fetch her, and she came to him, and he lay with her. (Now she was purifying herself after her period.) Then she returned to her house. The woman conceived; and she sent and told David, 'I am pregnant.'

So David sent word to Joab, 'Send me Uriah the Hittite.' And Joab sent Uriah to David. When Uriah came to him, David asked how Joab and the people fared, and how the war was going. Then David said to Uriah, 'Go down to your house, and wash your feet.' Uriah went out of the king's house, and there followed him a present from the king. But Uriah slept at the entrance of the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and did not go down to his house. When they told David, 'Uriah did not go down to his house,' David said to Uriah, 'You have just come from a journey. Why did you not go down to your house?' Uriah said to David, 'The ark and Israel and Judah remain in booths; and my lord Joab and the servants of my lord are camping in the open field; shall I then go to my house, to eat and to drink, and to lie with my wife? As you

live, and as your soul lives, I will not do such a thing.' Then David said to Uriah, 'Remain here today also, and tomorrow I will send you back.' So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day. On the next day, David invited him to eat and drink in his presence and made him drunk; and in the evening he went out to lie on his couch with the servants of his lord, but he did not go down to his house.

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent it by the hand of Uriah. In the letter he wrote, 'Set Uriah in the forefront of the hardest fighting, and then draw back from him, so that he may be struck down and die.'

### Psalm 14

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*(To be said by alternate half verse)*

1 Fools have said in their hearts 'There is no God':

**they have all become vile and abominable in their doings, there is not one that does good.**

2 The Lord looked down from heaven upon the children of Adam:

**to see if there were any who would act wisely and seek after God.**

3 But they have all turned out of the way, they have all alike become corrupt:

**there is none that does good, no not one.**

4 Are all the evildoers devoid of understanding:  
**who eat up my people as they eat bread,  
and do not pray to the Lord?**

15 They shall be struck with terror:

**for God is with the company of the righteous.**

6 Though they frustrate the poor in their hopes:

**surely the Lord is their refuge.**

7 O that deliverance for Israel might come forth

from Zion:

**when the Lord turns again the fortunes of his people,**

**then shall Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.**

## **Ephesians 3.14-21**

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For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen

## **The Gospel: John 6.1-15**

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After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

When Jesus realised that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

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## For next week

### *11th Sunday after Pentecost*

2 Samuel 11.26-12.13a                      Psalm 51.1-12

Ephesians 4.1-16                                John 6.24-35

### Hymns

596 Fill my whole life,

31 Psalm 51 - Have mercy on us, living God

430 Your words to me are life and health

526 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

502 *Soul of my saviour*

456 Your hand, O God, has guided

## Notices

### REM YouthLife Prayer Breakfast

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You are invited to support SRE in BWSC Campus at a Prayer Breakfast.

Venue: St Andrew's Anglican

Date: Sat 18th August 2018

Time: 7.30 to 9.00am

Cost: \$5.00

Staff for the serving team is required.

Can you assist? Contact Jeff Long 43444939.

### Farmers in the Hunter Valley

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Buy a Bale, The Maitland Mercury, Newcastle Herald, Hunter Valley News and The Scone Advocate have joined forces to help Hunter farmers as they battle the most crippling drought in decades.

These farmers and their communities need our support. There are numerous ways you can support this fundraising drive to support Hunter farmers. Information on how you can assist can be found at [www.buyabale.com.au](http://www.buyabale.com.au)

## Australian Church Women

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The Australian Church Women Fellowship Day for 2018 will be held on Friday 3rd August at 10am at our St Luke's, Woy Woy.

The theme of the service is "Women of Encouragement" and the speaker is the Reverend Rosemary Gillham.

The service will be followed by morning tea in the hall.

As we are the host church it would be great to have a good representation from the parish and we know the speaker will be excellent.

We will provide morning tea for approximately 80 people, so we need donations of sandwiches, cakes and slices - There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church for catering.

For all enquiries please contact Penny Wheeler 4341 8510.

## Australian Red Cross

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You are invited to Umina Beach Red Cross Club 51st Birthday Luncheon at Everglades Country Club, Dunban Rd, Woy Woy.

Date: Wednesday 22nd August 2018

Time: 11.30am

Cost: \$28 to be prepaid

RSVP: Margaret Edwards (Liaison Officer) by Wednesday 15th August

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## Generosity

### Thank you

This week we say thank you to **Jean White and Elizabeth Corah** for laundering and care of linen in St Andrew's and St Luke's. Thank you for all the work that you do.

### Samaritans

Please remember to bring non-perishable food items and place them in the baskets provided near the door of the church for the work of the **Samaritans** organisation in our diocese.

### Direct giving

Thank you for your generous financial giving to the mission of our parish. We encourage parishioners to give directly to the '**Anglican Parish of Woy Woy**' account: BSB 032-527 ACCOUNT 228059.

### Reminder

If you would like a notice in the bulletin please give information to office staff by Thursday for inclusion in the bulletin the following Sunday.

### Parish Churches

St Luke's: 151 Blackwall Rd, Woy Woy (opposite Park Rd)  
St Andrew's 360 Ocean Beach Rd, Umina (near Albion St)

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## Ministry Team

### Parish Priest:

**Rev Canon Michael Davies** (on Long Service Leave)

**Rev Rosemary Gillham** (locum tenens)

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9.00 am to 4.00 pm Monday to Friday

**Refreshments are served after each of the services. We would love you to join us! At St Andrew's, refreshments are served in the foyer, and at St Lukes in the church hall.**

**At the end of the service, please introduce yourself so that we can welcome you properly. Ask for our Welcome Pack, which offers more information about who we are and what we do.**