COOLAH~DUNEDOO ANGLICAN PARISH NEWSLETTER

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

5TH MARCH, 2017

ABM Anglican Board of Mission - Australia Working for Love, Hope & Justice

The First Sunday in Lent Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5.12-21; Matthew 4.1-11

The gospel reading records the temptation of Jesus that took place in the wilderness that centered on Jesus' fasting for forty days and nights. He needed food and so the devil enters at that time but he was defeated by the quote of the Scripture. The devil took him to the holy city and tempted him there to show that even in our spiritual progress we should beware of the enemy. The tempter took Jesus to a high mountain and showed him the splendour of the world promising to give him all if he worshipped him. Jesus defeats the tempter by categorically quoting that our worship should be to God and him alone. It is beneficial for us Christians to be rooted in the Word of God for we can quote when the enemy tries to tempt us.

Pray that God will help us overcome temptations that come our way by staying connected to Almighty God whose Word is our promise and truth! That as we progress in life our worship will not be shifted from God to wealth.

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

Text:

The Rt Rev Paul Korir Bishop of Kapsabet,



Cancelled to better support the locals:

Dunedoo Bush Poetry Festival; and Lions Art Unlimited 2017.

World Day of Prayer service at St Michael's Catholic Church Dunedoo 7pm Friday 10th March. All Welcome.

LENT BEGINS

Congratulation to the AWA for their Pancake Tuesday effort at the Bowling Club.

During lent we will be using the 1st Order of Communion p101



Mrs Shirley Colman

A regular member of St Andrew's Congregation for many years, was farewell with

prayer and a cuppa last Sunday as she moves to Kempsey to be with her family. Shirley you will be missed.



Mrs Christina Ryan A long term parishioner of St Andrew's Chrissie was farewell at her funeral on Friday at St Andrew's and flowers placed on her regular seat in our

congregation. You will be sadly missed by many...

"MAY THE FAVOUR OF THE LORD OUR GOD REST UPON US; ESTABLISH THE WORK OF OUR HANDS FOR US YES, ESTABLISH THE WORK OF OUR HANDS" (PSALM 90:17



WHEN IN

PRAYER THIS WEEK

V Lord and Farther: R we give you thanks and praise

Stir in us, Loving God, the desire and the determination to glorify you in every prayer and in all our relationships.

- Lord we give thanks for all who have help put out fires in our region, support those in need, given generously with time talents and money, we thankyou and them for their generosity V/R
- Father we pray for the world you gave us to care for, and how human kind often neglects, abuses and uses you give. Help us to be mindful of what we have been given and take good care of our patch of your wonderful world. V/R
- We keep Bishop Ian and all Australian Bishops as they meet throughout his week V/R
- Lord help us to be a listening hear to those who have gone through the trauma of Bush Fire and to constantly hold them in prayer before you. V/R
- Father touch deeply with your healing Tracie Walsh, Craig Bolton, Kim Chaffey, Doreen Becke, Fred and Irene Osborne, and those known to your fatherly heart. Thank you for Beth Bowman marvellous recovery, Encourage all carers of those who are unwell in body, mind or spirit. V/R
- We hold to your bosom Lord those in grief and loss especially Graham Ryan and his family with the death of Chrissie, and the Powell family with the sudden death of Mark V/R

Make us and mould us after your will to be the people of God in this place; strengthened by the one who taught us to pray ...

OUR Father in heaven....



SCRIPTURE

ED. PLEASE SEE FR ROBERT IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUN-TEER.

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"FINALLY BROTHERS, WHATEVER IS TRUE, WHATEVER IS NOBLE, WHATEVER IS RIGHT, WHATEVER IS PURE, WHATEVER IS LOVELY, WHATEVER IS ADMIRABLE... IF ANYTHING IS EXCELLENT OR PRAISEWORTHY...,THINK ABOUT SUCH THINGS" (PHILIPPIANS 4:8)





Urgent Prayer Needed Compassion will close its India office by 15th March as the government is requiring all charities to reregister with the government. Until they are reaccepted as a charity they are unable to transfer funds to their projects. Projects will run out of funds by the 15th March if the situation does not change and compassion in India will close its doors.

Please Pray for Compassion and the Indian Government that this situation will change. Please pray for Rehan our sponsor child and the other 145,000 children and project personnel in India affected by this.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:

DUNEDOO: St Michael's Catholic Church 7 pm Friday 10th March.

MENDOORAN At St Chad's to be advised.

ELONG: to be advised



Rev Beth had hip replacement surgery at St Georges Private Hospital in Sydney on Thursday 23rd

February, 2017. She is now at the Rehab Hospital 'Calvary' and progressing extremely well already onto one crutch and allowed gate passes to go out with her brother Graham who live in Sydney. Thank you for all your prayers, well wishes, thoughts and phone calls of support. They are of good effect and appreciated. Thank you. Beth is expected to return home March 13th Fr Robert

AGM's for 2017 TODAY!

St Andrew's Coolah

Sunday 12th March, 2017 ONE SERVICE IN PARISH & AGM 10 AM AT COOLAH

NB: No Saturday night at All Saints' Dunedoo

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE TO 10AM

Follows 10:00 am Service. Please bring a plate for Lunch BBQ available



PARISH ANNUAL REPORTS AND FINANCIAL DETAILS.

Annual re-

ports have been delayed and will hopefully be available next Sunday. I will have them on the parish website as soon as they are ready.

www.anglicanscoolahdunedoo.org.au

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Meeting Next:

- LLM's meeting at Rectory
 Monday 6th March
 3.30pm
- ◆ AWA Meets 7:30 pm on 6/3/17 @Parish Hall;
- ◆ Parish Annual Meeting Sunday 12/3/17 following Holy
 Eucharist at 10 am in Coolah
 + BYO Lunch. NOTE time
 - change
- ◆ Parish Council, 7:30 pm Tuesday, 21/3/17 @ Parish Hall



BAPTISM of Ruby Large will be held 11am Saturday 25th March, 2017

at All Saints' Church Dunedoo. All welcome

SCHEDULE OF COMING WORSHIP SERVICES

7/3/17 11 am @ Coolah Hospital

LENT 2 12/03/2017 10.00 am Parish Service at Coolah Annual Parish Meeting follows and an early BYO Lunch.

NO Saturday Night or Elong Services!

14/3/17 11:00 @ Coolah Hostel **17/3/17** 10:00 am Kakhama Service

LENT 3 19/03/17 8:30 am Dunedoo 9:00 am Coolah MP 11:30 am Mendooran

LENT **4 25-26/03/17** 6:00 pm Sat. Dunedoo 9:00 am Coolah 11:30 am Neilrex 5:00 pm Uarbry TBA

LENT 5 2/04/17 8:30 am Dunedoo; 9:00 am Coolah 3/4/17 11 am @ Coolah Hospital



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