

# COOLAH~DUNEDOO ANGLICAN PARISH NEWSLETTER

EASTER 6 21 May, 2017

# CONFIRMATION CLASSES 2017

Start Monday 29th May at 3.30 pm in the Dunedoo Parish Hall.



Confirmation will be Sunday 8th October, 2017. Anyone turning 12 or older or Adults may apply for Confirmation. Candidates need to forward their forms to Fr Robert urgently please.

FORMS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE OR FROM FR ROBERT.

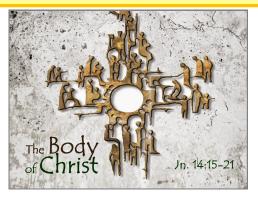


A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Norma Graham

will be held at
11:00 am,
Wednesday
in All Saints Church followed by
Interment in the Dunedoo
Cemetery.

Refreshments will be served at the Dunedoo Sports Club.





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

#### The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Jesus says to us today: If you love me, you will keep my commandments. Yet how often do we fall short of loving God and loving neighbour? How often are we slack to attend to prayer and worship, annihilating our own spiritual lives? How many times do we fall into gossip and backstabbing, creating hurt in our own parish community? May we turn from our wickedness and live. Lord, may the world know we are your disciples by the love we show to each other! Pray that the Holy Spirit will help us

to focus on our interior prayer lives, and to build up our parishes to be welcoming and transforming communities.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of South East Asia.

Text: Robert McLean Partnerships Coordinator, ABM © Anglican Board of Mission, 2017

#### **DISCIPLESHIP & MISSION 101**



"GO into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." Mark 16:15,16

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# WHEN IN PRAYER THIS WEEK

V:Lord come in love **R:** And roll away the stone

As we travel the Emmaus Road of this post-Easter season, help us to see your with us as we are confronted by the needs of refugees, martyrs, the persecuted and poverty stricken in our world. V/R

Open our eyes to see your presence in our worship; help us to wait expectantly for the touch of your hand upon our lives. Guide and guard +Ian, and ministers and lay leadership of our parish.

We continue to pray the Easter theme of new life. Teach us to hope, give us joy, help us to dare to dream of a future with hope for our parish and Diocesan communities. V/R

Breathe life into our expectations for our world. We place at the mercy seat of grace Shirley Edmed; Tracie Walsh; Janet Kubowicz; Fred, Irene & Barbara Osborne; Kim Chaffey; their carers, supporters and families. Comfort Lloyd, Sue and Alaina who mourn Norma's death. Lord of abundance, bless these and all who need your wholeness. V/R

We seek your presence in our living, and ask your comfort for those who prepare to bury their dead. We thank you for Norma Graham and the example she gave to so many of Christian living. V/R

Risen Lord, we seek you among the living and wait expectantly to encounter you in stillness and being. Amen



#### Thanks to our Street Stalls

Coolah raised over \$1000 thanks to the organising of Jane Sutton, and the Dunedoo Street Stall also was close to \$1000 thanks to Irene's organising.



### Dunedoo Raffle & 100 Club Results:

Raffle: Pauline Black

#### 100 Club A

- 1) Julie Rowbotham
- 2) June Copeland
- 3) June Copeland

#### 100 Club B

Winsome Rowbotham Cheryl Carpenter Chantelle Greggs

## Coolah Raffle & 100 Club Results:

#### Raffle:

- 1) Margaret Stevens
- 2) Margaret Staniforth
- 3) Julie Sherlock
- 4) Lou Stevenson

#### 100 Club

- 1) Wayne Waters
- 2) Eric Beer
- 3) Elma Wallace

Congratulations All!

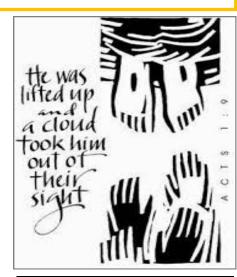
Thursday is Ascension
Day when we remember Jesus returned to
the Father so the Holy
Spirit could come.

HOW God will transform my troubles I do not know, but THAT He will transform them I know for sure.

Agnus Day Cartoon. Used with Permission.

## **NEXT** Parish Calendar

The Next Parish Calendar for the months of June and July will be issued Sunday 27th May 2017
Any Events that need to be in the Calendar please give the information written on paper or by email to Fr Robert by Thursday 25th rjbowman1254@gmail.com



The main centre window at St Andrew's Coolah depicts the Ascension of Jesus Christ



The Octagon at St Andrew's Coolah hosted Australian Brass Quintet Sunday 30th April. Another successful event **Next Service at Mendooran** 11.30 am Sunday 18 June, 2017



#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Easter 7 Sunday 28th May Saturday 27 6:00 pm All Saints' Dunedoo

<u>Sunday 28</u>—9 am St Andrew's Coolah

11:30 am St Laurence, Neilrex.

### **Meeting Next:**

- All Saints' C'ttee after 8.30 am service 4th June;
- St Andrews' C'ttee after 9 am 4th June;
- AWA 5th June 7.30 pm Dunedoo
- Parish Council, 6pm on Tuesday, 20/6/17 @ Parish Hall

#### Clergy Retreat at Shalom Carcoar

I attended the Clergy retreat last week held at 'Shalom' House of Prayer Carcoar. (Clergy are required to attend a Retreat and Clergy Conference days every year.)

The Retreat at 'Shalom' was centred around the "First Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola (1495-1556), a soldier who incapacitated from wounds, read the life of Christ and the Saints, dedicated himself to Christ and entered a life of poverty and prayer. He wrote the "Spiritual Exercises" After study he began the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) In 1540 the Society was officially sanctioned by Pope Paul III and Ignatius became its Leader. He is famous or reforming the church from within.

The Retreat gave a general overview of the 'First Spiritual Exercises' beginning in order with 'Listening, Spiritual Conversation, Discernment, the Fruit of the Spirit, walking the Labyrinth in prayer, Awareness, the Examen, and My Program for Life.' Each exercise was explained and then experienced by the Clergy with a sharing of their experience in the exercise afterwards. Each participant kept a "Listening Book" to journal their experience.

I found the retreat and spiritual exercises extremely helpful. *Fr Robert* 



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