

Each week, at all centres, we will be learning the songs for the Confirmation Service. This week we will be practicing:

**'COME AS YOU ARE:**

'Come as you are:  
that's how I want you.  
Come as you are;  
feel quite at home,  
close to my heart,  
loved and forgiven.  
Come as you are:  
why stand alone?

'No need to fear,  
love sets no limits;  
no need to fear,  
love never ends;  
don't run away shamed  
and disheartened,  
rest in my love, trust me again.

'I came to call sinners,  
not just the righteous;  
I came to bring peace,  
not to condemn.  
Each time you fail  
to live by my promise,  
why do you think  
I'd love you the less?

'Come as you are:  
that's how I love you;  
come as you are,  
trust me again.  
Nothing can change  
the love that I bear you;  
all will be well,  
just come as you are.'

Deirdre Browne OSJ, 1936—.  
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**LOVE AS COMMUNITY**  
Come together as a Parish and  
Celebrate

*Love as a  
Community of Grace*

on 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July

10:00 am

in

St Andrew's Octagon, Coolah.

**L**ET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER FOR  
LOVE COMES FROM GOD.

—1 JOHN 4: 7 A. 000



Following a  
**Contemporary Worship Service**

There will be a BYO  
**Everything To Share**  
Luncheon and Fellowship.  
BBQ facilities,  
Tea & Coffee Available

**Parish Council**

**Meets** on Tues-  
day at 7:30 pm  
in the Dunedoo  
Church Hall. Please advise Jenny  
if you will not be able to attend.



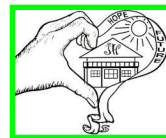
**Trivia Night Friday 4th  
August** at the Dunedoo  
Bowling Club, start getting  
your table together. Tickets  
from Milling Stuart.

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**FOR OUR PRAYERS:**

**V** Spirit of God:  
**R** hear our prayer.



Spirit of God, hear us as we  
pray:

Grow in us, teach us to resolve our differ-  
ences without violence & cruelty that we  
may live in harmony with one another, the  
environment and you. **V/R**

We pray for the leaders of every tribe and  
nation, law makers, civil and religious  
authorities that you guide them in wisdom,  
justice and good use of their responsibili-  
ties. **V/R**

We pray for all who proclaim the gospel  
to neighbour and stranger through the wit-  
ness of their being and doing. Give us ears  
to hear, eyes to see and hearts to under-  
stand what the spirit is saying to the  
church. We lift to you +Ian & B Liz, Fr  
Robert & Beth, our Parish Council mem-  
bers as they gather on Tuesday that the  
church may bear much fruit to your glory.  
**V/R**

God of abundance, encourage and comfort  
those who continue to deal with the fallout  
from the Sir Ivan Fire. Spirit of God, flow  
over their bruised spirits and bring them  
comfort. **V/R**

Come Holy Spirit, lead Sam Bennetts;  
Meg Christensen; Hollie Copeland; Paul  
Sweeney; Malcolm and Brian Hellyer,  
Charlie and Sophie Kensit, into the reality  
of your love and grace for each one. **V/R**

Spirit of compassion, grow in us concern  
for one another, that our hearts may be  
warm and bright in our comfort for all  
who are in need of healing and holiness.  
Those known to us Margaret, Evelyn  
Finch, Fay Jones, Shirley Edmed, Tracie  
Walsh, Kim Chaffey, John & Janet Ku-  
bowicz, Fred, Irene & Barbara Osborne;  
and, those known to your Father's heart.  
**V/R**

Spirit of life, grow in us and set us free  
from all that keeps us in death, that we  
may be raised to eternal life with your  
faithful people from every age, race  
and nation. **V/R**

**We give you thanks for the blessings  
you give us as we grow in spirit-led  
grace as the people of God in this  
place. Amen**

*Hope is an  
anchor for the  
soul.  
Hebrews 6:19*



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## PENTECOST +6

The Gospel readings the past few weeks have identified for us the vision God has for the growth of his Kingdom.

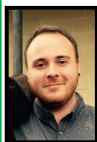
God in his great abundance sows the seed of faith with seemingly reckless abandon, in poor and rich soil alike. As members of Christ's Body we are called to tend these soils, watering them with his life-giving word and nourishing them with the sacraments of grace he gifts to his Church. We all are given gifts to encourage the growth of these seeds, with faith and hope and love. Whether you are skilled in music, or art; singing, or writing; listening, or sharing – we are all gardeners in God's Kingdom!

Pray that you will use your God-given talents to till the soils of faith for others in your community. Give thanks for the *Iglesia Filipina Independiente*, the Philippine Independent Church.

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## FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL'S 20 JUNE MEETING:

- 11 Warden's and Parish Councillors met.
- A reply to the PC's letter from the Hon. Troy Grant received regarding possible grants for St John's Uarbry to be sent to the Anglican Property Trust who is the legal owner of all Anglican Church Property in this Diocese.
- Reports from Elong, Uarbry Wardens and Mudgee District Ministry Council Reps., received,
- Fr Robert reported on the Clergy day with Bishop Ian at Molong, including where the CBA Debt is up too, the situation regarding cases for redress regarding abuse in our Diocese, preliminary discussion on diocese restructuring including the formation of three Archdeacons replacing the Regions and Districts, Fr Robert and Reverend Beth considering taking Long Service leave

## PENTECOST +7

**Saturday July 22nd**

6 pm All Saints' Dunedoo

**Sunday July 22nd**

9 am St Andrew's, Coolah and

11.30 am St Laurence's, Neilrex.



## NOTICES:

- **Thanks to Anne & Sue** for coordinating the **Stall at the Market Day** yesterday July 8th. Thank you to all who made donations and helped out. Approximately \$330 was raised.
- **St Andrew's Anglicare Op Shop** is very low on winter items and stock, jackets, jumpers, blanket, woollies, long sleeve garments etc. If you can help with a donation it would be appreciated.
- **Late Valentine's Day Dinner September 1** coming soon with guest speaker Andrew Dunkley, Radio Presenter and author of 'All I see is MUD'

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in the near future,

- Next 5th Sunday at St Andrew's Coolah Octagon July 30 and Mendooran by the river October 29, Extended Communion discussion with LLM's soon.
- Treasurer Sue reported the parish cash flow is very low due to postponed fundraising, Op Shop supplied \$1000 recently, Annual Appeal letter mailed immediately. June Income \$25650, (includes \$15000 Sir Ivan Fire Mayor's Appeal trust donations), June Expenses \$15687, Surplus \$9962 [adjusted Deficit \$-5037]
- Dunedoo Market Day stall July 8th, Trivia Night to go ahead August 4th, Valentine's Dinner, Dunedoo and Fete at Coolah for September,
- Next meeting 18/7/17 normal meeting time of 7.30pm



## MEETING NEXT:

- No Confirmation Class during school holidays. Next Classes Dunedoo Monday 17/7/17 @ 3:30 pm and Mendooran School Tuesday 18/7/17 @ 3.30pm
- AWA 7/8/17 at 7:30 pm in the Dunedoo Church Hall.



## Some Parish Survey Results Sermons

There were 2 questions relating to sermons in our parish. Question 1 What would you recommend about sermon? E.g. shorter, longer, more entertaining, more jokes, less jokes, stay the same.

Received 40/50 responses.  
30—Stay the same”  
8—Shorter  
3—More entertaining  
2—Longer, more jokes  
1—Less jokes

Question 2 What subject of sermon do you prefer? (10 suggests made with question.

Received 39/50 responses.  
Responses:-

14 Inspirational Sermons  
13 Family Teaching  
12 Don't change.  
11 No response  
11 Readings of the day  
10 Evangelistic  
9 Bible Books  
9 Moral Teaching  
8 Current Affairs  
6 Relationship Teaching  
6 Bible Themes



There seems to be a high proportion of parishioner who prefer sermons to stay the same. Especially when in the second question “don't change” is the 3 most popular answer. Although the range of answer scores in the second question suggest a mixture of topic for sermons would be acceptable.

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