

Coolah—Dunedoo Parish Newsletter Pentecost 13 3rd September 2017 WELCOME TO WORSHIP



NEXT SATURDAY September 9th

St Andrew's Coolah Grounds Donations Needed Volunteers Welcome Coordinator: Jane Sutton 6377



A Father's Day Prayer

God bless all dads, footy-kicking, story telling, run of the mill dads. Bless them with baby-cuddles, toddler smiles, big-kid wrestles and play times with not too many bad dad jokes. Bless grandads and pops, uncles, step dad, foster dads and fill-in dads. Bless all the men who help our children grow up healthy, safe and kind. Ready to make the world a better place for everyone. Amen

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Scripture Teachers Needed for 2018 Fr Robert and Rev'd Beth will be finishing up on December 31st. Currently they teach Scripture in Dunedoo and Coolah. Not knowing when a new minister will be appointed, replacement teachers are required to start ASAP. The suggestion is that two volunteers work together sharing a class, so that when one is away the other is available. If you can volunteer please contact Fr Robert

Pearly Gates. Used by Permission. MY DAD MUGT BE AHEAD OF THEY SAY WE'RE HEADING FOR REALLY? HUH HU wow!

THE PRAYERS

V: Give thanks

R: with grateful hearts.

Thank you for our father's, dad's and grandfather's. Encourage them in their calling and example of your love in our world V/R

Bless our diocese with grace, hope and love that we might be light bearers to the nation. Strengthen +Ian with Liz, Fr Robert & Beth and all who worship in the Anglican parish communities of Bathurst. V/R

Grant justice, humility and mercy to all who work with refugees, asylum seekers and victims of natural disasters V/R

Open the hearts of our young ones to your love as they prepare to affirm their decision to seek, serve and follow Christ: Sam, Meg, Holly, Paul, Charlie, Sophie, Brian & Malcolm. V/R

God of abundant blessings, we ask for rain to revive and bring life; we are thankful for what we have received. Restore our land with drinking water, moisture for crops and animals and to bring hope after a dry winter. V/R

We pray for our area as we struggle to recover from the February Fire. Thank you for the ministry to women that you enabled last weekend. May it be an ongoing blessing. V/R

Comfort and heal the sick and those in need of your healing & wholeness The Bowman's, Tracie, Doreen, Irene, Barbara, and those held in your presence. Thank you for the recovery of Kirsten, Fay and Evelyn, Make our wills eager to obey, and our hands ready to heal. V/R

Comfort all who mourn, including the Stanton Family and give them hope and peace. May we know your presence with us, your faithfulness to keep us, the friendship and laughter of your grace as we walk in the ways of your Spirit, day by day. V/R

ABM Reflections Pentecost 13

In last week's gospel reading for Sunday, we hear Matthew's account of Simon Peter's commissioning at Caesarea Philippi. Jesus presents Peter the keys to the Kingdom of Heaven following his great confession that Jesus is the Messiah.

We learn, through Peter, that Jesus is the Messiah. We learn, through Jesus, what this Messiah–ship will mean. This revelation is a pivotal point in our Gospel narrative, connecting Jesus' ministry in Galilee to his Passion. This axis is the catalyst in Jesus' ministry, as he begins to focus on preparing the disciples for his death.

From rock... to stumbling block? Perhaps Peter's ignorance could be excused! This rebuke by Jesus may seem harsh, but Peter did not yet know why the Messiah must suffer in this manner. We see the intricate, multifaceted person of Peter as he begins his first steps in his vocation as leader of God's church.

With responsibility comes great trials ahead, and yet Christ offers to us the strength and grace to accomplish the most difficult of ministries.

Pray that we might have the strength and grace to take up our cross, and follow him.

Give thanks for the work of Anglican Witness, the Communion's evangelism and church growth initiative.



Jesse Poole Saint Peter's, East Maitland, Diocese of Newcastle © Anglican Board of Mission, 2017

PRAYER FOR A NEW MINISTER

God our Shepherd, in every generation you call ministers of your word and sacraments. Grant to this parish a faithful pastor who will preach the gospel, administer the sacraments, care for your people and enable our calling as the people of God in this place help us to show forth the fruit of the Spirit in our lives and ministry. May those involved in selecting a new minister be open to the promptings of your Spirit, in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen

PRAYER FOR SYNOD

Almighty and ever living God, give wisdom to the members of both the General Synod of our Church, and of this Diocese, in all things to seek first your honour and glory. May they perceive what is right, have courage to pursue it, and grace to accomplish it, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



In Review

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Coming Up Diocesan E-New available today.

- ◆St Andrew's C'ttee & All Saints' C'ttee today following Worship Services;
- **◆AWA 4/9/17** 7.30 pm Dunedoo Hall
- ◆Confirmation Classes Dunedoo 11/9/17; Mendooran 12/9/17;
- ◆Parish Council 17/9/17 7.30pm Dunedoo Hall

WORSHIP NEXT WEEKEND Pentecost 14

Saturday Sept. 9th 6 pm Dunedoo. Sunday Sept.10th 9am Coolah, 11:30 am Elong



The next
AnglicanCatholic
Covenant Service

will be at held at St Michael's Hall Dunedoo. 6pm Friday 13th October, 2017 Please mark the date in your diary, now!





Diocesan Synodwill be held in
Bathurst Friday
September 15 to
Sunday 17.

Please pray for Fr Robert, Lloyd and Graham as they prepare to attend and represent us in decision and management making discussions.

You are asked to uphold synod preparations for all involved that God will be glorified. Thank you.

Please Note: There will be morning prayer services in all parish centres for that weekend.



THE SPRING DINNER What a Wonderful Evening! The "Step into Spring"

Dinner was well supported with over 80 attending to listen to Andrew Dunkley our guest speaker who was accompanied by his wife Judy.

Andrew spoke on his changing career in radio and his book "All I See Is Mud" about his grandfather in WW I. All enjoyed a sumptuous meal provided by the committee, a team of dedicated volunteers. (Approx. \$2800 raised)



The luncheon, organised by our AWA Members for those affected directly by the Sir Ivan Fire was a great success.

Proverbs 31:10-31



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