

Anglican Church of Central and Western NSW

Coolah—Dunedoo Parish Newsletter

Pentecost 16 23rd –24th September 2017

I will call upon the LORD,
who is worthy to be praised;
So shall I be saved
from my enemies.

2 Samuel 22:4

NEXT Sunday October 1st Daylight Savings Starts

Please remember to put your clocks FORWARD on Saturday Night, or you may be late for Church on Sunday morning.



Parish Confirmation Service

Will be held on Sunday 8th October 2017 (2 weeks away) commencing at 10 am at All Saints' Dunedoo.

This will be the **only** service on that weekend. There are 7 confirmation candidates and 2 to be baptised. Bishop Ian presiding.

Please bring a plate for morning tea after the service. A cake has been donated for the confirmation candidates to cut and serve. [170903]

Scripture Teachers Needed for 2018

Fr Robert and Rev'd Beth will be finishing up on December 31st. Currently they teach 2 Scripture classes in Dunedoo and 3 classes in Coolah. Not knowing when a new minister will be appointed, replacement teachers are required to ensure our commitment to Scripture in school is fully staffed. The suggestion is that two volunteers work together sharing a class or two, so that when one is away the other is available. If you can volunteer please contact Fr Robert asap. [170910]

THE PRAYERS

V: Praise be to God
R: for hear hears our prayers.



Thank you for the blessings of Synod. Thank you for the blessing of Frank Hetherington as he retires, strengthen Brett Watterson as our new Diocesan Archdeacon and help us all to witness to your grace and mercy. V/R

Instil the hearts of Sam, Meg, Holly, Paul, Charlie, Sophie, Brian & Malcolm with a vision of your purpose and plans for them. V/R

We continue to ask for rain to bring hope and healing to our land, this parish and all who look to you for strength and sustenance.. V/R

Thank you for all who have cared for our fire victims through Blaze Aid, and for those who have fed and helped them. Bless them as they return to their homes and loved ones. V/R

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

Comfort all who mourn, and remind us we are conquerors in Christ, remembering the Stanford Family as they mourn the death of Neville's brother, Keith. V/R

Bless our land in its diverse beauty, and promise. Give us tolerance and respect for one another and a passionate commitment for justice and mercy for all. Bless us that we might in turn be a blessing to others, guard us, guide us, give us peace, and keep us in the palm of your hand. V/R



ABM Reflections Pentecost 16 Matthew 20. 1-16

This gospel presents a parable found only in Matthew's accounts, but like all of Jesus' parables he continues to give us simple ideas and instructions as we gather together around him. Jesus uses daily life, daily elements and the monotony of the daily grind in his stories, but with a surprising twist. The mercy and love of the master is unlike anything of those who toil daily in the field, and he uses these examples to continue to push us to understand the Father's deep affection and generosity toward us.

Pray that we will be committed to sharing in God's generosity throughout the world.

Give thanks for all those who generously care for others, especially remembering Anglicare and all other church caring agencies throughout Australia.

Jesse Poole Saint Peter's, East Maitland, Diocese of Newcastle

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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 enabling us to show forth the fruit of the Spirit in our lives and ministry. May those involved in selecting be open to the promptings of your Spirit; in the name of Jesus our Saviour. Amen

[170901]



The next Anglican-Catholic Covenant Service for St Michael's day will be at held at

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



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September Diocesan E-News is now available at the back of the church or from Fr Robert.
Read the news about the debt.



In Review

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Coming Up

- ♦ **St Andrew's C'ttee & All Saints' C'ttee 1/10/17** following Worship Services;
- ♦ **AWA 2/10/17 7.30 pm** Dunedoo Hall
- ♦ **Confirmation Practice 10am Saturday 7th Oct, All Saints'**
- ♦ **Parish Council 17/10/17 7.30pm** Dunedoo Hall



2017 "RAIN" Spring Fete

Thank you and well done to all who made the annual fete a success. Congratulations to Jane and her team of helpers on this event's success. The Fete raised between \$5800 & \$6000 [170909] Photos courtesy of Rosa.

Please consider attending the **Lay Ministry Conference on 4/11** at Orange. It's open to all lay people within the Anglican Church of Central & Western NSW. Info in Pew Sheet. [170924]

A Prayer for Fathers

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**

Thank you Jenny & Sid for leading worship services in Dunedoo & Coolah last weekend.

Diocesan Synod was held last weekend. Your prayers were appreciated by Graham, Lloyd, Fr Robert and all at attending to Diocesan business.

During Synod:

- Archdeacon Frank Heatherington was farewelled into his retirement;
- Canon Brett Watterson (Dubbo) was collated as the new Diocesan Archdeacon and Vicar-General;
- The general name of the Diocese changed to: "The Anglican Church of Central & Western New South Wales." The legal name remains 'The Diocese of Bathurst.'

Ask Graham, Lloyd or Fr Robert if you want to know more.

NEXT WEEKEND Pentecost 17

1st October, 2017

8:30 am Dunedoo

Sun, 9am Coolah

11.30am Wedding at Coolah

AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDAR 2018



gifts. [171105]

Orders for the Anglican Church Calendar are available on the sheet at the back of the church. \$12 each—Money with order please.

Orders Close Sunday 5th November, 2017. They make great Christmas

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) [170924]

September Parish Council

Many things discussed on Tuesday Sept. 19th

- Letter from Bishop Ian advising change of general name of diocese changed at Synod to 'Anglican Church of Central and Western NSW'
- Synod Report: It is hopeful that the debt will be resolved early next year and Synod set for specially meeting Feb 17, 2018, Re-structure of Diocese into 3 Archdeaconry's with 2 mission district in each to go ahead, Diocesan financial reports change to be more transparent, investigation into insurances and alternatives for next synod, First nation recognition in our churches discussed, Mission partnership with Solomon's Diocese of Yasbel encouraged on parish by parish level, BIC to set diocesan budget, "Endowment of the See" Fund discussed
- Date for Fr Robert and Rev Beth's Parish Farwell discussed.
- Reports from, Elong, Uarbry, Mendooran, Rector and Treasurer received.
- August income \$16243 Expenses \$10271 Surplus \$5972. Year to date Deficit -\$607

[170924]

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