

# Anglican Church of Central and Western NSW

## Coolah—Dunedoo Parish Newsletter

### Pentecost 17 1st October, 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

#### Daylight Savings Started

**TODAY:** Hope you remembered to adjust ALL your clocks.

**AWA Meeting Monday 7.30pm Tomorrow, in Dunedoo Hall. All welcome. Apologies to Mavis please.**

#### NEXT SUNDAY

##### Parish Confirmation Service

Sunday 8th October 2017 (next week-end) 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. [171008]



#### LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Fr Robert and Rev'd Beth will be finishing up on December 31st. The parish will need volunteers to cover some of their functions until a new priest is appointed. Here is a short list needing volunteers:

- ◆ Help LLM's in leading Services at Church, hospitals, hostels and Kahkama;
- ◆ Newsletter production and printing;
- ◆ Assist with preparation & set-up for funerals;
- ◆ Church Website updates;
- ◆ Accounting spreadsheet maintenance;
- ◆ Hymn/Music lists for worship services;
- ◆ **Scripture Teachers Needed for 2018**

2 Scripture classes in Dunedoo and 3 classes in Coolah to ensure our commitment to Scripture in school is fully staffed. If you can volunteer for any of these function please contact Fr Robert asap. Information and training provided.[171231]

#### THE PRAYERS

V: We praise you our God  
R: for mercy & grace.



Thank you for your grace and blessings in our lives—help us to pass on your love to others. V/R

Bless, guard and guide our political and spiritual leaders in their task. Strengthen and give clear thinking to +Ian, Registrar Karen, Fr Robert & Beth. Enable our AWA Members and Anglicare volunteers in their respective ministries to make Christ known through their service. V/R

Reveal yourself in new ways to Sam, Meg, Holly, Paul, Charlie, Sophie, Brian & Malcolm with an understanding of your purpose and plans for them. V/R

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

Comfort and heal the sick and those in need of your healing & wholeness Jan, Tracie, Irene, Barbara and family, and those held in your presence. May we be pain bearers and light bringers to neighbour and stranger as we proclaim your power and love. V/R

Comfort all who mourn, and remind us we are conquerors in Christ. Jesus has given us the promise of eternal life through his resurrection. 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 17

We continue to hear Jesus' instruction to the community, as he reminds Peter, as leader of the church, how often he should forgive by telling the Parable of the Unforgiving Servant.

10,000 denarii was the equivalent to about 200,000 years' wages! How bountiful is our heavenly Father's mercy that he might forgive us, if we only ask. The parable serves as a powerful reminder: we must remember to forgive, as we too are forgiven.

**Pray** that we might be witnesses of the good news of God's magnanimous forgiveness, and extend that grace to others.

**Give thanks** for the Anglican Communion Office, and for all the work they do on behalf of Anglicans worldwide.

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

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#### PRAYER FOR A NEW MINISTER

Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak your words and minister your sacraments; an encourager who will equip your people for ministry and enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment and patience, and to us give warm and generous hearts, for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen**

[Prayer Book p212] [171231]



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



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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 at back of church. [170924]



**Thank you Jenny & Sid** for leading worship services in Dunedoo & Coolah while Robert attended **Diocesan Synod** was held weekend. Sept 15-17 Your prayers were appreciated by all 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 18

8th October, 2017

**10am Confirmation with Bishop Ian at All Saints' Dunedoo, followed by Morning Tea.**

## 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



## 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, Restructure 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 Ysabel 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, Fete, Rector and Treasurer received.
- August income \$16243 Expenses \$10271 Surplus \$5972. Year to date Deficit -\$607 [171015]



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