

# Anglican Church of Central and Western NSW

## Coolah—Dunedoo Parish Newsletter

### Pentecost 24 ~ 19th November, 2017



We Welcome Guest Preacher Warren Spooner at all parish services NEXT weekend, Warren Spooner is from "Compassion Australia". The parish sponsors two children through this ministry.



## Farewell the Bowmans!

**Saturday  
2nd December,  
2017  
11 am**

### Dunedoo Bowling Club

A plate of Finger Food to Share, please.  
Details in your Church Foyer  
Place Donations for a parting Gift in a marked envelope or directly to  
Treasurer, Sue Graham. 6375 1218  
**Enquiries:** Jenny Tunks, 6886 6205

## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Bowman's will be finishing up on December 31st. The parish will need volunteers to cover some of their functions until a new priest is appointed, and possibly beyond. Here is a short list for needed volunteers, training provided:

- ◆ ~~Maintain & Publish Parish Calendar;~~
  - ◆ ~~Newsletter production and printing;~~
  - ◆ ~~Choosing Hymn/Music for worship services;~~
  - ◆ **Scripture Teaching:** 2 1 Scripture classes in Dunedoo and 2 classes in Coolah to ensure our commitment to Scripture in schools is fully staffed.
  - ◆ 1 volunteer in Dunedoo so far;—Help LLM's in leading Services at Church, Coolah Hospitals, Coolah Hostel and Kahkama —
  - ◆ Assist with service sheet preparation, set-up and packing away for funerals;
  - ◆ Church Website updates and maintenance;
  - ◆ Accounting spreadsheet maintenance;
- If you can volunteer for any of these function please contact Fr Robert asap. Information and training provided.[171231]**

\*If its ~~Struck through~~—it means we have a volunteer (s)

## THE PRAYERS

**V:** Giver of every gift we have

**R:** We give you thanks and praise.

God our Creator, you entrust us with gifts to use in your service hear us. We pray for our hurting world; give thanks for those gifted with a passion for justice & peace, and all who bring the reign of Christ closer. Help us to use our talents in your service. **V/R**

We pray for the Christian Community throughout the world, for those you fit for leadership & ministry and gift as pastors, prophets, evangelists and prayer warriors. Bless +Ian, those being ordained on December 3, Fr Robert & Beth; members of the Parish Council as they meet on Tuesday. Help us to use our talents in your service. **V/R**

We give thanks for those who you bless to practice hospitality and friendship; who seek to bring reconciliation and love into our communities. Help us to use our talents in your service. **V/R**

Bless and comfort the frail, needy, and ill of our parish and beyond: Ian, Janet & John, Neville & Dorothy, Brenda, Jan, Tracie, Irene, and those known to your fatherly heart. Thank you for Doreen's recovery. Thank you for gifts of healing and wholeness. Help us to use our talents in your service. **V/R**

Thank you for all the faithful who dwell in your presence, and add our praises to their triumphant song. Help us to use our talents in your service. **V/R**

You equip us to serve you and our community with good gifts. Bless us as we use them in your name, for your sake and in your service. **Amen**

*Rejoice Always*  
*Pray without ceasing*  
*In everything give thanks*  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



**BCA Boxes** are now due to be counted. Please return yours to the church as soon as possible so it can be counted and sent to BCA.'s head office. Boxes in by 26/11/17, please.

**The Anglican Catholic Covenant Group** meet Wednesday November 22nd, 6 pm at St Michael's Dunedoo.

Next Covenant service Dec 3rd Advent Service 4pm at St Andrew's. All welcome.



## PRAYER FOR A NEW MINISTER

God our Shepherd, in every generation you call ministers of your word and sacraments. Give to this parish a pastor who seeks your heart. Equip them to preach the gospel, to care for your people and to show forth the fruit of the Spirit in their lives; in the name of Jesus our Saviour. **Amen.**

**PRAYER FOR RAIN** We give thanks for rain received, and continue to pray: Gracious heavenly Father through your Son you promised to those seeking first your kingdom and your righteousness all things necessary for bodily welfare: send us, we pray, in this time of need, rain to water the earth, that we may receive its produce to strengthen and sustain us and always praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

[Prayer Book p212, 205] [171231]



*"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

# In Review

[www.anglicanscoolahdunedoo.org.au](http://www.anglicanscoolahdunedoo.org.au)

## Next Weekend

**Nov 25/26 Christ the King Sunday**  
Guest preacher at Dunedoo, Coolah and  
Neilrex, Warren Spooner of  
Compassion Children

### Saturday 25

6:00 pm All Saints

### Sunday 26

9:00 am St Andrew's

11:30 am Neilrex

## PARISH CALENDAR:

**Nov 21 9:30 am Schools Christmas Assembly**, Octagon, Coolah.  
All welcome!

**Parish Council 7.30pm** Dunedoo Hall;

**Nov 22 Anglican Catholic Covenant Meeting 6pm** St Michael's

## DECEMBER 2017

**Dec 1 9am** Scripture Assembly @ DCS. All welcome.

**Dec 2 11am** Robert & Beth's Farewell at Dunedoo Bowling Club. Bring a plate. All Welcome.

**December 3** Advent Sunday  
*Year B readings commence.*

**4 pm** Advent Carols Ecumenical Covenant Service at St Andrew's.

**Dec.4 AWA 7.00 pm** Dunedoo Hall.  
Followed by Christmas Supper Spouses welcome (Please note changed time).

## 2017 CHRISTMAS SERVICES

### Elong

11.30 am Sunday Dec 10th

### St Chad's Mendooran

11.30 am Sunday Dec 17th

### Christmas Eve Sunday Dec 24th

4pm St Laurence Neilrex

7.30 pm All Saints' Dunedoo

7.30 pm St Andrew's Coolah

### Christmas Day Monday Dec 25th

8.30 am All Saints' Dunedoo

9 am St Andrew's Coolah

### Sunday Dec 31st

*Fr Robert & Rev Beth services of laying down ministry in the Parish*

8.30 am All saints' Dunedoo

10.30 am St Andrew's Coolah

### January Services

Morning Prayer in Coolah and Dunedoo as per regular worship cycle.

## ABM Reflections

### The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Another parable on being prepared – the focus today is on being 'trustworthy', the Greek word is also translated faithful. Being trustworthy and faithful is the way of being prepared for the return of the Master. Now, the end of the reading is very alarming – those who have nothing, even what little they have will be taken away. This is a hard saying – but do we not observe this happening all around us? Those who are rich in things, material and even in things spiritual, become richer. Those who are poor, become poorer. Pray that we might be empowered to be faithful and trustworthy. Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines

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## PeaceWise exists

to teach personal peacemaking and Christian conflict resolution skills, provide Christian mediation and other help for conflict situations and share the reconciling power of the gospel of Jesus Christ. All our teaching has a strong biblical foundation, and we seek to be instruments of God's love in all we do. The diocese will be running a two day Training in Bathurst on March 8-9 (Approx. \$150) it is open to all laity and is part of the clergy training commitment. Please plan to attend.



## October Parish Council Meeting:

- WSC requested unused funds received by the parish from the Sir Ivan Fire Mayors Appeal Fund be returned on the understanding that WSC would be using them to assist the Uarbry Community. \$15,000 returned.
  - Monies received directly by the PC from other Anglican Churches are to be allocated to a maximum of \$1000/applicant;
  - A local area Appeal Letter to raise funds to replace windows at St Laurence Church Neilrex is under consideration;
  - Fr Robert advised that the parish has had a large number of funeral services, and that requests have been received regarding several baptisms in the next few months;
  - Parish Website costs \$90/year donated by Fr Robert and is due for renewal at the end of 2017. PC is considering taking on website.
  - Painting of small area in Coolah Rectory approved.
  - Compassion Christmas Greetings sent to our Compassion Children.
  - Coolah, Dunedoo, Neilrex and AWA gave reports to PC.
  - Valentine's Day Dinner set for February 2018 with guest speakers Sam and Jenny Bailey to be invited.
- The Treasurer Reported:** Sept Income \$13,700; Expenses \$7,224 YTD Surplus \$5,923

## Creation By the River at Mendooran

An enjoyable time had by all who Gathered by the River at Mendooran to worship our Lord, recently. Thank you to our hosts from St Chad's for their hospitality. Thanks to the Uniting and Catholic people who joined in the service and the picnic that followed. We enjoyed being one in Christ. [20171127]

## COOLAH-DUNEDOO PARISH — ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CENTRAL & WESTERN NSW

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[including the villages of , Birriwa, Leadville, Merrygoen & Uarbry.]

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