

Trinity Sunday

Sunday 12th June 2022

Welcome, so good to see you.



Sharing the Good Life

We acknowledge the Bundjalung people, traditional custodians of the Land.

Our doors are open: LGBTQIA+ welcome here.

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Alstonville Anglicans are committed to ensuring that all people who participate in our worship, programs and ministries have a safe and rewarding experience.

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Dates 12th June to 19th June

12th June Sunday 9am Holy Communion

Messy Life Church 5pm

13th June Parish Office 9am – 12pm

Op Shop 9am - 3pm

10am Anam Cara praying for Community

14th June Tuesday Parish Office Closed (Please refrain from accessing

the office at this time)

15th June Parish Office 9am – 12pm

Anam Cara 9am Op Shop 9am – 3pm

Parish Council Meeting 6pm

16th June Parish Office 9am – 12pm

Op Shop 9am - 3pm

Anam Cara 6pm

17th June Parish Office 9am – 12pm

Friday 10am Holy Communion

19th June Sunday 9am Holy Communion

SYNOD

Messages

Worship & Spirituality



Anam Cara



Thursday 9th June Sound Sauna Healing Service 6pm and Community Meal 7pm.

All welcome. Cost by donation. BYO: wine/drinks, meal provided (vegetarian, gluten & dairy free)

Organ Recital



All Saints Church Murwillumbah July 10th 2.30pm. Featuring Robert Eather organist at Christchurch Cathedral Grafton. \$18/\$12 www.trybooking.com/BZITL





Messy Church

Sunday 26th June 4pm



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Community Engagement

To Make You Laugh



How do you get a country girl's attention? A tractor.

Community-On-the-Verge



Parish Council are considering an idea from COVE to plant an herb spiral.

COVE contacts are:

Alan Larsen on 0409 655 123 or Barbara Fewtrell 0429 385 713

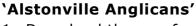
Professional Room for Hire



Our Professional Room is now available for hire. This space is ideal for small groups or individuals. It is comfortable, private and has Wi-Fi access. Let's spread the word.

Good Governance

Have you downloaded our App??



- 1. Download the app from the app store or google play.
- 2. Sign-up to create an account.
- 3. Update your profile.
- 4. Access the member directory.

Empowering Leadership

Parish Leaders for 2022

Rector's Warden: Bruce Sharp **Warden:** Jenny Noble

Parish Councillors:

Des Fitzpatrick, Kay Fry, Charlie Handley, Graham Ireland, Amanda Middleton, Mark Stuckey, Robyn Hannah, Margaret Brown.

Other Appointments:

Treasurer: Anne Bryce

Social Committee Coordinator: Amanda Middleton

Worship Leaders:

Mark Stuckey, Barbara Fewtrell, Susan Fitzpatrick, Helen Nicholson, Charlie Handley

Thank you for your willingness to serve our Parish.

Regular Reminders

Worship & Spirituality

Church Open

The Church is open for meditation during office hours.

Mothers Union: third Monday of each month. Contact Pam on 0417 258 991 or Joyce 0407 690 874 joyce@stephanies.com.au

Anam Cara

Anam Cara Praying for you Monday mornings 10am **Anam Cara Wednesdays** 9am & **Thursdays** 6pm

Good Governance

COVID Update

- Masks not required but encouraged especially when singing.
- Social distancing is still advised as is adequate ventilation.
- Hand sanitiser will remain available but is not compulsory.
- Morning tea will continue to be served outside at the present time.
- The Covid Committee appreciates everybody's understanding, tolerance, and compliance.

Passing of the Plate



Parish Council advise that from Sunday 5th June the passing of the collection plate will be reinstated in services.

Sign Up for Planned Giving

To lessen the burden on volunteers and to reduce risk around cash handling and storage on property, you are encouraged

to sign up for Planned Giving. Forms for signing up for Planned Giving are now available from the website and in the church foyer and parish office.

If you would prefer to directly deposit into the Parish Account, the details are **Bank account:** BSB 705 077 / Acc:00032931

Community Engagement

Communications Upgrade

We will be streamlining our Communications in a bid to improve effectiveness. Our bulletin will look a little different and there is now a Connect Card for you to find out more and ask questions.

- Non regular announcements for our Mission and activities will be included in the bulletin.
- Regular and routine information is available in an information book, online and via the 'Alstonville Anglicans' app.

Play Place



Play Place 9.30-11.30am Thursdays during school terms.

Sew Helpful



Sew Helpful 1^{st} & 3^{rd} Mondays 1pm. All welcome.

Anglicare North Coast 2022 Northern NSW Flood Appeal Please continue to support this Appeal.

www.anglicarenorthcoast.org.au

Pastoral Care

If you or anyone you know is ill or in hospital, please let the office or Lynne Watt our Pastoral Care Coordinator know. Also,

if you do visit anyone could you email Lynne? wattlg@bigpond.com.

Prayers

Please remember our family and friends impacted by the floods.

Sermon Notes 5th June 2022 for Pentecost

"The Gospel of the Holy Spirit"

"Love" from "Aspects of Love" by Andrew Lloyd Webber offers us a succinct and accurate theology of the Spirit.

Love, love changes everything, hands and faces, earth, and sky Love, love changes everything How you live and how you die Love, can make the summer fly Or a night seem like a lifetime Yes love, love changes everything Now I tremble at your name Nothing in the world will ever be the same

The Holy Spirit is God's love within us. More accurately the Holy Spirit is the Love Bond uniting the Creator to the Christ, the Christ to the Creator, and giving us a share in that loving unity. The greatest love affair ever is the love affair of the Source-of-all-being pouring out love into the Christ, the Christ receiving that love fully and completely and pouring love into the Creator, the Source-of-all-that-is, the Creator. The Holy Spirit is this Love Bond and ushers us into the energy of loving and being loved that is God the Trinity. The Holy Spirit is the Love Bond uniting us to God and us to each other - if I am one with God and you are one with God, we are one with each other.

What does the Holy Spirit do?

The Holy Spirit is to be the Love that unites and by uniting transform all that it unites. So, the holy Spirit:

- 1) Unites in Love
- 2) Transforms through Love

Yes! Love, love changes everything
Days are longer, words mean more
Love, love changes everything
Pain is deeper than before
Love will turn your world around
And that world will last for ever

The Holy Spirit is the energy of Love uniting and transforming



in love. There is something faceless and invisible about the Holy Spirit. Since the Holy Spirit is love, the only face it seeks and therefore has, is the face of the Beloved. Learning to notice the Spirit's presence is like learning to be a good tracker. Just like a good

tracker can "read" spoor and "read" animal scat and tell you where and when an animal went, so too can we learn to read the spoor of the Holy Spirit. The spoor of the Holy Spirit is a love that unites and transforms. In those moments that we witness loving unity taking place we witness people being spirit filled. In those moments when someone picks up the phone to talk to a family member or a friend that they have ignored for years, we witness people being spirit filled. When we are offered a new beginning, a second wind, a chance to begin again, we are being filled with the spirit. The way we love something is the way we love everything, so in every act of loving service to the environment or to another, we are being spirit filled.

What is being filled with the Holy Spirit?



The Holy Spirit is the Love that unites and by uniting transforms all that She unites. Thus, everywhere where we witness authentic love, we witness people being filled with the Holy Spirit, we witness the Gospel of the Holy Spirit. The Church is filled with the Spirit in that it is the Spirit that

"animates" the Sacraments which are real symbols where God comes close to us, and we come close to God. The Holy Spirit fills us to do the work of God in the church and from the church. Thus, every act of service and love in and from this church is only possible because of the Holy Spirit. We thus see the Holy Spirit at work in the cleaning roster, in the flower roster, in the prayer team, in the welcomers, in the hospitality after the service, in every act of listening, in every experience of kindness, in those who prepare meals The list is endless! In every one of these gestures of love we read the Gospel of the Holy Spirit.

There is much to recognise this weekend on the feast of Pentecost:

- World environment day
- Reconciliation day
- Mabo
- The platinum jubilee of the queen.

In each of these moments we can witness people being spirit filled: in the forgiveness First Nations people offer us oppressors, in the opportunity for unity and recognition in reconciliation, in the consistency of service the queen has offered throughout her reign and the care invited for the environment. In each of these remembrances we read the Gospel of the holy Spirit: world environment day, reconciliation week, Mabo declaration, the queen's jubilee However, there are also real blockages to the Spirit's work in the world. 5 June is the anniversary for other events too:

- 1945 The US, UK, France, and USSR set Germany's borders at the end of WWII.
- 1967 The Six Day war began between Israel, Egypt, Syria, and Jordan.
- 1968 US Senator Robert Kennedy was assassinated in Los Angeles.

How can we remove the blockages to the spirit flourishing in our lives and in the world so that love unites and transforms? What must we as individuals do?

The great democracy is that each of us is given the Holy Spirit. For the Holy Spirit to flourish in our lives, however, a training program is needed. This should not surprise us. Just as an athlete watches her diet, trains with a coach, and puts the hours into running practise or at the gym; so too do we as spiritual athletes need a training program. We all know what this training program is: reading Scripture, receiving communion, being part of a small group, serving others with practical love, having a spiritual mentor/coach/companion, prayer....



Jesus breathes on each of us just as he once did his disciples. Today we allow Jesus to breathe on us again, and to fill us afresh with his presence of love – the Holy Spirit. All we must do is ask ... and breathe ... together.

Liturgy for 12th June Trinity Sunday

Sentence of the Day

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? 'The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.' Proverbs 8.1, 22

Collect

Father, we praise you, that through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things; you reveal your salvation in all the world through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh; through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love: fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Readings John 16:12-15

¹² 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason, I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.