**PARISH NEWS**

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**14th July 2019**

*Do to others as you would have them do to you. Love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return.* Luke 6.31, 35

**OUR MISSION FOR JULY** – Anglican Board Of Mission. Working for Love, Hope and Justice. ABM’s Five Marks of Mission:

* Witness to Christ's saving, forgiving and reconciling love for all people
* Build welcoming, transforming communities of faith
* Stand in solidarity with the poor and needy
* Challenge violence, injustice and oppression, and work for peace and reconciliation
* Protect, care for and renew life on our planet

**SAMARITANS FOOD DONATIONS** – Breakfast foods this month: cereals, porridge, small tubs of fruit or anything that might be nice for breakfast (though probably not bacon). Or any other items of your own choice.

**OP SHOP APPEAL**

Sales have been very good at the Op Shop recently and, as a result, our stock is very low. Clothes, kitchenware, linen, small electrical appliances all welcome. Any queries, speak to Heather 6557-5454 or Janet 6554-5981. (As usual, we are looking for more helpers!)

**DON’T FORGET TO VOTE IN THE MY COMMUNITY PROJECT!**

**MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY AND FRIENDS WITH ONGOING NEEDS**

Ella Engel, Jenny Lawson, Keith Roach, Nadia Maybury, Lyn Thompson, Marion & Peter Roberts, Margaret Burrows, the Pearson family, Peg Sawyer, George Mazaraki and Beryl Allen.

We remember particularly those whom we have loved whose anniversary occurs at this time: Mabel Campbell, Roy McGovern, Mary Edna Langenberg, Margaret McKintosh and Constance Hilda Newman.

**OUR CHANGING PARISH NAME**

This parish started out many years ago, in 1904 to be precise. It was called the “Parish of Myall-cum-Wallamba”. Then in 1912 it had a further name change, becoming the “Parish of Nabiac”. This lasted until 1973 when the name was changed again to the “Parish of Wallamba”. In 1996 the name was finally changed to the Parish of Forster/Tuncurry”. (Courtesy of Suellen Belton.)

**PARISH PRAYER**

Gracious God,

We give you thanks and praise for our parish.

May we always delight in and care for our beautiful wildlife, flora waterways, land and sky.

Bless us as we minister to our communities in the power of your Spirit.

Unite us in faith and bind us together in love, that we may proclaim your gospel with courage and enthusiasm, build your Church, and bring you glory in all we do.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**.

**ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF NEWCASTLE**

**DIOCESAN CONVENTION**

The 2019 Diocesan Convention will be held as follows:

Date/Time: Saturday, 17th August 2019, 9.30am – 3.30pm

Venue: Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College, Francis Batty Hall,

 256 Minmi Rd, Fletcher, NSW 2287

Speaker: Revd Donna Lazenby, author of *Divine Sparks: Everyday Encounters with God’s Incoming Kingdom*

Cost: $20 which includes conferencing, lunch and

 refreshments.

Tickets for sale online via ticketebo. Bookings by 7th August.

For more information *events@newcastleanglican.org.au*or ring Diocesan Office on 4926-3733

**DEMENTIA WORKSHOP**

The Uniting Church is running a workshop “Discussing Dementia” on **Saturday, 27th July, 9.30am – 12 noon**, at the Forster Uniting Church in Lake Street. Speaker is Rev Frank Van Der Korput, a Uniting Church minister who currently serves as an aged care chaplain and has studied dementia for many years. There will be a special emphasis on the role of music. Cost $10 includes notes and morning tea. For enquiries and bookings please call either Jen Pulling 0425-365-889 or Geoff Battle 6555-8573. Bookings should be made by 22nd July so that seminar notes can be printed.

**WORSHIP SERVICES**

**ST ALBAN’S, FORSTER**

Sundays: 8.30am Holy Communion

 10.00am Family friendly/ Kids’ church

 5.30pm All-Age + Holy Communion

 (with nibbles & chat)

Thursday: 9.30am Holy Communion

**ST. PAUL’S, NABIAC**

Services every Sunday at 10.00am. The first and third All Age, and the second and fourth Traditional.

**Quote for the week:**

*Being an Anglican, a Methodist, a Catholic, or a Baptist does not make one a disciple, it only makes one an Anglican, a Methodist, a Catholic, or a Baptist, who may or may not be a daily follower of Jesus Christ.* – Michael Phillips

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**Book Shop:** bookshop@forsteranglican.com 5543 7683

**Parish Website:** www.forsteranglican.com

**Fb:** Anglican Parish of Forster-Tuncurry.

**Items for Parish News:** Janet Lawrence, email: jan2max@bigpond.net.au, 6554-5981 or

0448-502-684 or Parish Office 5543-7683 by noon Wednesday.

**Opportunity To Give**

**For direct credit offertories:**

BSB: 705077 Account: 000400710

Account name: Anglican Parish of Forster/Tuncurry