



CHRIST CHURCH BRUNSWICK

14 June 2009

TRINITY 1



MISSION and EVANGELISM by EXAMPLE and ENCOURAGEMENT

TRINITY 1

8.00 am LOW MASS Celebrant: Fr Robert Preacher: Fr Robert

9.30 am HIGH MASS Celebrant: Fr Robert Preacher: Fr Robert

The order for Mass begins on page 5 of the blue Service Book.

The Music Version is available at the back of the church

5.00 pm EVENSONG Preacher: Bp Grant

Sunday @ 5

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

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| 15 | MONDAY | | 7.00 am | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| 16 | TUESDAY | APBA | 7.00 am | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| | | | 6.30 pm | Bible Study (Choir Vestry) |
| | | | 7.15 pm | Special Vestry Meeting |
| 17 | WEDNESDAY | APBA | 7.00 am | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| | | | 10.00 am | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| | | | | followed by Morning Tea |
| | | | 10.45 am | Bible Study |
| 18 | THURSDAY | AP | 6.00 pm | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| 19 | FRIDAY | APBA | 7.00 am | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| 20 | SATURDAY | | 8.00 am | <i>Low Mass</i> |
| | | | | followed by breakfast |

Readings for Sunday 21 June—Trinity 2

Job 38: 1, 8-11; Psalm 107: 23-32
2 Corinthians 5: 14-17; Mark 4: 35-41

**To declare your love | in the | morning : and at night to sing
| of your | faith-full- | ness.**

Upon the lute, upon the lute | of ten | strings : and to the | me-lo · dy |
of the | lyre.

**For in all you have done, O Lord, you have | made me |
glad: I will sing for joy because of the | works | of your |
hands.**

Lord, how glorious | are your | works : your | thoughts are | ve-ry |
deep.

Repeat antiphon

EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 5: 6-10

We are always of good courage; we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, for we walk by faith not by sight. We are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the bad and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive good or evil, according to what he has done in the body.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

HYMN

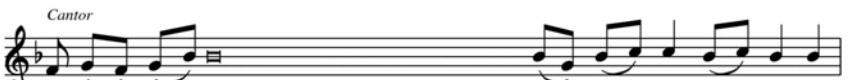
Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

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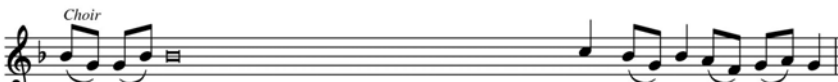
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor:  *All:* 

Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his: Praise him all his host.

Cantor 

O Be joy - ful in God all ye lands; sing praises unto the ho - nour of his Name;

Choir 

O come hither and hearken all ye that fear God, and I will tell you what things he hath done for my soul, al - le - lu - ia ____

✠GOSPEL

Mark 4: 26-34

Jesus said to the crowds, "The kingdom of God is as if a man should scatter seed upon the ground, and should sleep and rise night and day, and the seed should sprout and grow, he knows not how. The earth produces of itself, first the blade, then the

Dear Parishioners,

Jesus spoke to the people in parables about the reign of God. He compared it to the plant life that was all around them, to wheat fields and mustard plants. The growth of the reign of God in the world is like a plant that may start out small but can grow and become a magnificent place for shelter. It happens like the farmer who plants the seed but the growth comes when he is not looking. He participates in it but he doesn't know how it actually happens. The growth comes and he participates in and enjoys the result, but he does not control it, nor can he make it happen on his own. Such is the reign of God.

We are the ones who scatter the seed of God's reign in creation. We do it in many ways and in many places. Sometimes there is a bumper crop and sometimes we see no results at all. When the results are numerous and available for all to see, it is easy for us to take credit for what we have done. When the results are few or none at all, then we are quick to blame the soil that has yielded no crop. Jesus invites us to give up taking the credit or assessing blame in the coming of the full reign of God. Our task is to be faithful in the planting. God's task is to finally bring it all to harvest.

As we sow the seeds of God we also help to ensure their growth by covering them with a bountiful supply of prayer. We remember those who will receive the food, the welcome, the sharing of the good news of Jesus in our prayer time. We hold up those who share with us the work of planting the seeds. We pray for the reign of God to grow and produce magnificently, rather than to pray that our program will be successful. We offer the seeds up to the only one who can bring about the harvest. We trust in God to accomplish the good work that God began as the first dawn shone upon this earth.

To trust the growth to God is probably the hardest part of our work. We are tempted to take the credit for ourselves when that first sprout emerges from the ground. "Look," we say, "my seed has produced." But, of course, it is not our seed and it is not our doing that has brought about the harvest. At most we can be like the gospel servant who proclaimed, "I am a worthless slave. I have only done what I was told to do." And some of us are tempted to feel that we have failed when the seed does not sprout, but it is still not our seed and we are still not the giver of life. We are but the servants of God who go out and scatter abroad, trusting that the seed that has been entrusted to us is good seed and will eventually yield a harvest that will overcome the world.

The reign of God will come in its fullness. We have already experienced it in our midst. We have met the Lord of the harvest and have come to know the eternal faithfulness of the risen Christ. God has created and continues to bring all creation to its fullness in Christ. Someday every valley will be filled and every mountain and high place will be brought low. Someday every rough place will be smooth and level and all God's creatures will dwell in peace with one another. We do not know when it will all come about but we know that it shall happen. So let us be faithful in our sowing of the seeds of the gospel and let us be faithful in trusting the God of the harvest to bring it forth.

Yours in Christ,

Fr Robert

Bible Studies

Bible Studies are held on Tuesdays at 6.30 pm in the Choir Vestry
and at 10.45 am on Wednesdays in the Bardin Centre

National Trust Christ Church Brunswick Restoration Appeal

Tax Deductible donations may be made to this Appeal.
Forms are available at the back of the church.

A Children's Activity Day

... on the theme *The Parables of Jesus*, will be held
next Saturday, 20 June, between 1.00 and 4.00 pm.
All children are welcome to attend.

Parish Mission Giving for June

Trinity College Theological School

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PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS

For each day the intercessions are, in order, for the **Anglican Communion**, the **Anglican Church of Australia** and the **Diocese of Melbourne**.

- 14 Diocese of Ondo—Province of Ondo, Nigeria (Bp George L Lasebikan); Ministry with the Torres Strait Islander people of Australia (Bp Saibo Mabo), Abp's advisory group on Authorised Lay Ministry (Bp Paul White, co-ordinator), St John's Diamond Creek with St Katherine's St Helena and St Michael's Yarrambat (Dianne Nicolios, Robert Imberger, Craig Ogden); Christ Church Kensington
- 15 Diocese of Ontario—Ontario, Canada (Bp George Bruce); Diocese of Melbourne (Abp Philip Freier, Bps Barbara Darling, Stephen Hale, Philip Huggins, Paul White); Archdeaconry of Maroondah (Stephen May); Christ Church Dingley (Jed Crispin, Wayne Walters)
- 16 Diocese of Oregon—Province VIII, USA (Bp Johncy Itty); Diocese of Newcastle (Bps Brian Farran, Peter Stewart); Deakin University; Holy Trinity Doncaster (Paul Barker, Theresa Lau, David & Esther Ruan, Wayne Schuller, Jonathan Smith, Ben Wong)
- 17 Diocese of Orlu—(Province of Owerri, Nigeria) (Abp Bennett C I Okoro); Diocese of North Queensland (Bp Bill Ray, Asst Bps James Leftwich, Saibo Mabo); Evangelism in the Diocese; St David's East Doncaster (Heather Patacca)
- 18 Diocese of Osaka—Japan (Bp Samuel Osamu Ohnishi); Diocese of North West Australia (Bp David Mulready); Cross Cultural Ministry (Irene Donohoue-Clyne); St Mark's Dromana with St George's Red Hill (Brian Westaway, Beverley Jane)
- 19 Diocese of Osun—Province of Ibadan, Nigeria (Bp James Afolabi Popoola); Diocese of the Northern Territory (Bp Greg Thompson); Caulfield Hospital (Richard Aldersey); St Clement's Elsternwick (John Hislop)
- 20 Diocese of Ottawa—Ontario, Canada (Bp John Holland Chapman); Diocese of Perth (Abp Roger Herft, Bps Kay Goldsworthy, Tom Wilmot); LaTrobe University; St Margaret's Eltham with St Faith's Montmorency (Libby Delbridge, Clem Taplin, Deirdre Ragless)

Year's Mind

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| 14 Sunday | William Daynes |
| 15 Monday | - |
| 16 Tuesday | Carmen Ledesma Asung |
| 17 Wednesday | Hannah Christie, Charles Peter Macan Bardin—1st Parish Priest, Leah Holliday |
| 18 Thursday | - |
| 19 Friday | - |
| 20 Saturday | Amelia Jessie Clements |