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Mission Statement:

To love God and to love our neighbours and become an increasingly relevant presence in our community.

SUNDAYS JUNE 21 & JUNE 28, 2020 -

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JUNE 21, 2020: 3rd SUNDAY after PENTECOST -

Prayer of the Week: *Almighty & everlasting God, You are always more ready to hear than we to pray, & give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of Your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, & giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, save through the merits & mediation of Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord. Amen.*

Genesis 21.8-21 Ps 86.1-10, 16-17 Rom 6.1-11 Matt 10.24-39.

ABM Pew Sheet Reflection 2020: *“Jesus shows us that God’s mission is to claim the priority in our lives. May we never be afraid of dying to self so that we may be born anew, taking our part in the mystery of God’s mission to the world. Help us, Lord, to bring love in your name to a world crying out for it in these unusual times.*

Pray that nothing will deter us from making love of God & love of neighbour our first priority.

Give thanks for those who engage in the mystery of God’s mission both here and overseas.

Mandy’s Message: The Bible uses the word ‘fear’ at least 300 times in reference to God, so we make a mistake if we ignore it. The subject becomes even more mysterious when we read verses like 1 John 4:18 that says; *“perfect love casts out all fear.”* Then how can we fear God while he expels all fear? Basically there are two types of fear of God. One is healthy & one is destructive. You can see them most clearly in 2 Tim 1: 7: *“For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power & of love & of a sound mind”* (NKJV). This spirit of fearful-ness and timidity does not come from God. Fear of God lies at the heart of successful living in the world.

1. The fear of the Lord is equated with the *“knowledge of the Holy One”* (Prov 9.10, 17; Ps 111: 10). It appears in covenant relationships, where the people are called to serve the Lord as King. We are loved, protected and valued in this covenant, and in return for our respect we are given protection and guidance.

2. The second type of fear is not beneficial at all. This fear is based on the risk of losing our own status, power, wealth or position in the eyes of the world. If we assume that the world is the ultimate threat, we give it power over us. W. D. Eisenhower says; *“As I walk with the Lord, I discover that God poses an ominous threat to my ego, but not to me. He rescues me from my delusions, so he may reveal the truth that sets me free. He casts me down, only to lift me up again. He sits in judgment of my sin, but forgives me nevertheless. Fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, but to love the Lord is its completion.”*

And of course, the ultimate example of fear and perfect love together is Jesus.

He warned us to fear God, not men—and he confirmed that in everything about his life and death. He spoke lovingly but frankly to all and didn't mince words when people needed to face their sin and repent. He demonstrated love beyond human understanding when he lived out his own words, *“There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.”* (John 15:13). With love like that, what is left to fear but our own offence to God?”

JUNE 28, 2020: 4th SUNDAY after PENTECOST -

Prayer of the Day: *“O God, Your Son has taught us that those who give a cup of water in His name will not lose their reward: open our hearts to the needs of Your children, & in all things make us obedient to Your will, so that in faith we may receive Your gracious gift, eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Gen 22.1-14

Psalm 13

Rom 6.12-23

Matt 10.40-42.

ABM Pew Sheet Reflection 2020: *“We read today that Jesus says: Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, & whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. How amazing is that? If we are welcomed, Jesus is welcomed, & so is his Father, the Creator of the universe. Yet with that comes great responsibility. We need to show God’s love, free & abundant, to all, helping others to see God’s glory through us. And what is God’s glory? As St Irenaeus tells us, it is a person fully alive (*Gloria Dei vivens homo*). Help us, Lord Jesus, to bring your love to others so that they may fully live.”*

- **Pray that** nothing will deter us from making God our first priority.
- **Give thanks** for all those who help others in Christ’s name to find fullness of life by showing them God’s copious, unconditional love.
- **Pray Healing for:** Karly; Wendy B; Sylvia; Stephen L; Pamela J; Lindy C; Kerrie Anne; Bob B; Greg; Stephen G; **Pray Comfort** for those who grieve.
- **Pray protection & recovery** for our virus, drought, fire, & flood affected nation.
- **Prayer for selection of a new incumbent:** (APBA p.212) *“Bountiful God, give to this parish a faithful pastor who will faithfully speak Your word & minister Your sacraments; an encourager who will equip Your people for ministry & enable us to fulfil our calling. Give to those who will choose, wisdom, discernment & patience, & to us give warm & generous hearts, for Jesus’ sake. Amen.”*
- **Please pray** for revival, & “pray the Lord of the harvest for workers for our field.”
- **“Let all peoples use His name in blessing; all nations call Him blessed.”** Ps 72:19 (APBA)

PARISH COUNCIL’S JUNE SNIPPETS:

- **1.30pm June 21, at St Paul’s** – Last opportunity to air your thoughts re appointment of new priest
- **Covid-19 restrictions** will allow 20 (by invitation) at Sunday congregations; clean-up help needed.
- **Rev Karly** advises that she’s **no longer on Sick Leave**; please pray she remains well.
- And she has completed the NSW Disaster Recovery Chaplaincy course, to minister to the bushfire survivors, also now able to minister at Moruya Hospital’s pastoral visits, which have resumed.
- P/C accepted Graham Small’s quote to replace St Paul’s front door railing with vertical colorbond.
- Selva & Juliat are struggling financially (insufficient work)– please continue to pray that their visas will soon be granted, without which Lawrence will be unable to study nursing at Uni next year.

- There’s a BBQ for 33 fire-affected people on July 4, 11am-2pm, at All Saints; our help is requested.
- Pews Sale – we are still waiting the written approval Faculty from the Bishop.

“Dear Tuesday Bible Studiers, *we have decided to resume the Tuesday Bible Study when the group can meet again face to face. So much happens in a live group that is missed by Zoom. This news may be a relief for some and a disappointment for others. We don’t know when restrictions will be finally eased. It could be sooner rather than later.*

Thank you all very much for being part of the group. The Bible is foundational for our culture & civilisation. We are living at a time when the complex issues the Bible grapples with are the very issues the world is facing. It is a good thing for us to meet, read, mark, learn & inwardly digest, that we may know Christ.

Our plan is to study **Genesis 1-20** when we can meet in person. Angela & David.”

Latest UPDATE from the Tingles: *“Dear friends. We just wanted to...give a quick update on how things are going. We really value your continued prayers and support and it has been great to be able to connect in with some of you through online church and prayer meetings during this time.*

Some things here are returning to normal-ish and we are certainly grateful to be getting out and about more. We are also really enjoying the rainy season, with clear air and blue skies (except when some of the crazy storm clouds blow in!)

The Centre is going to reopen next week, but we will need to adhere to certain restrictions and limit some of our usual activities. Matt’s classes at this stage will remain online as some of his students are still visiting their family in other provinces, but he is looking forward to connecting in person with students who drop in to the Centre. There have been some encouraging meetings with potential new teachers for the Centre, so please keep praying for God’s provision.

The girls are enjoying school holidays & the opportunity to have play dates with some of their friends. Please be praying for their school - Grace International School - because of travel restrictions about 15 of the teaching staff (new & returning) may not be able to get into Thailand in time for the start of the school year in August. Matt may need to help cover a class, if so.

Please let us know how we can be praying for you at this time. We will continue to be in touch. Blessings, the Tingles”

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NEWS LATELY?
I WISH I COULD SEE
MORE **EVIDENCE** OF THE
KINGDOM OF GOD!



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THE REIGN OF
GOD IS WHEREVER
JESUS IS.



OH **YEAH!?** WELL,
WHERE IS JESUS THEN?
'CAUSE HE NEEDS TO
COME AND **KNOCK**
SOME HEADS!



MATTHEW 9:35-10:8

NO. JESUS IS
WHEREVER
THERE IS
COMPASSION.



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