**16TH NOVEMBER 2014** 

**TODAY'S SERVICES** 

THE TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY AFTER

**PENTECOST** 

7.30AM—SUNG EUCHARIST
9.00AM—FAMILY EUCHARIST



Incorporating ministries with Eastern
Hills Parish

#### THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

WEDNESDAY	19	8.30am 9.30am	Morning prayer with Sue Knitting Circle—Maheno Room
THURSDAY	20	9.30am	Mah-jong with Barbara
FRIDAY	21	10.00am	Eucharist
SUNDAY	23	7.30am 9.00am 10.00am	Sung Eucharist Family Eucharist Daniel's Farewell

# Quiet Before and During the Service

Please be sensitive to the fact that when you are sitting in the pews prior to the service and whilst other people are receiving communion, those around you may well wish for quietness.

Thank you.

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#### THE SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### SENTENCE FOR THE DAY:

God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other.

1 Thessalonians 5.9,11

HYMNS: 7.30am Eucharist:- MP: 404, 857, 23, 673

#### THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

Everliving God, before the earth was formed, and even after it shall cease to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life and show us those things that are eternal, that we may serve your purpose in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Sprit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

**1st Reading: Judges 4. 1-10**Judith Hancock Alex Tervitt

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, 'The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand." 'Barak said to her, 'If you will go with me, I will go; but if you will not go with me, I will not go.' And she said, 'I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman.' Then Deborah got up and went with Barak to Kedesh. Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and ten thousand warriors went up behind him; and Deborah went up with him.

### **PSALM 123** (SAY ALL TOGETHER)

- 1. To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
- 2. As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until he has mercy upon us.
- 3. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt.
- 4. Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

#### SECOND READING: 1 THESSALONIANS 5.1-11 RUTH SOUTHGATE LOUSIE TERVITT

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

GOSPEL MATTHEW 25. 14-30

'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them.

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Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."

# CHILDREN'S CHURCH BREAK-UP PARTY

The Children's Church break-up party will be on

Sunday 14 December, at the 9am service.

We will have some fun and games during the usual Children's Church time.

After church we will celebrate with a special morning tea – could all Children's Church families please bring a plate to share.

#### **Parish Prayers**

### The Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

#### In The World:

- The Lusitanian Church (E-P to the Archbishop of Canterbury) Lusitanian Church - (Portugal): +José Jorge De Pina Cabral
- The Diocese of Newcastle: + Greg Thompson, Ass Bishop Peter Stuart, Clergy and People

#### In The Diocese:

- ♦ The Parish of Goonaneman: Aubrey Pedwell
- St Francis Theological College
- The Glennie School: Head of School Wendy Ashley-Cooper; Chaplain -Kate Powell; Chair of School Council - Bill Armagnacq; members of School Council

**Locally:** For G20 world leaders meeting and their discussion affecting those who have and those who have not.

**Pray for The Sick:** Joel, Jim, Valmai, Bronwyn, Albert, Duncan Family, Coral, Marie, Sandy, Steph, Kerrie, Ollie, Ken, Ellen, Adrienne, John.

(NOTE: under the Federal Privacy Act, consent of the person you wish to pray for must be obtained. No details of need / illness can be published without consent)



The Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

- Sunday 16 November 2014

Judges 4.1-10; Psalm 123, 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11; Matthew 25.14-30

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to remember that the day of the Lord 'will come like a thief in the night'. In this passage full of expectation for the second coming, it is noteworthy that Paul envisions two options. Either one is a person of the day, which requires vigilance and preparation, or one belongs to the night and is oblivious. In a world characterized by growing conflict and harsh economic inequalities, the temptation to be lulled to sleep is great. Whether the second coming is imminent or not, vigilance is required in order to live faithfully in the world.

Pray that we might be 'people of the day'.

Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya, giving thanks for the work they do to further God's mission in the world.

Text: Mr Joe Woodfin, the School of Theology, the University of the South (Sewanee, TN, USA) © Anglican Board of Mission, 2014

#### 16 November 2014 News & Coming Events for your Diary

If you are new to the parish or visiting **Welcome.** Please accept this invitation to stay and join in with us for fellowship and a chat outside after the service, where tea and coffee will be served.

- \* Wednesday 19 November: 9.30am—Knitting Circle—Maheno Room
- \* Thursday 20 November: 9.30am—Mah-jong with Barbara—Church
- Friday 21 November: 10.00am—Eucharist
- \* Sunday 23 November: 7.30am—Sung Eucharist
- \* Sunday 23 November : 9.00am—Family Eucharist
- Sunday 23 November: 10.00am- Daniel's Farewell morning tea—Maheno
   Room

#### Children's Church

This is our second lesson with a focus on a parable. This morning the children will be hearing the parable of the landowner, the slave and the talents. The older children will be challenged to think about what they might do with their special gifts.

Children's Church happens each Sunday in term-time, during the 9:00 service. If you are visiting or here for the first time, your children are very welcome to join us. We meet in two groups:

Children's Church – for children in Year One to Year Seven
Little Children's Church – for children aged 3-years to Prep, younger children
also welcome to attend with a parent.

# **Knitting Circle**

The knitting circle meets this **Wednesday 19th November**, at 9.30am in the Maheno room.

# Cake & Book Stall: (A major fundraiser for the Parish)

Our next cake and book stalls are on Sunday November 30th. This will be our last one for 2014 so bake up big and let's go out in style. It will have a Christmas Theme so please try and decorate your goods accordingly. If you are unable to bake we are happy to have donations of flour, lemons, sugar etc delivered to the church! Thanks.

## Archbishop's November Appeal

Envelopes for the Archbishop's November appeal are in this week's pew bulletin, please return them by Sunday 30th November with your contribution. The appeal this year is the mission of **Wontulp-Bi-Buya College;** please see the notice on the notice board at the back of the Church.

#### Christmas Bags for Seafarers' Mission:

Now is the time to do your Christmas bags for the Seafarers' Mission. All that is needed now are:- men's underwear- size M- Please put your Christmas bags or individual items in the basket near the doors at the back of the Church by 30th November, and Colin Gladstone will deliver them down to the Mission at the Port of Brisbane for distribution to those seamen who are away from home for Christmas.

### Farwell to Daniel:

Sunday 23rd November, will be Daniel's last service with us, and there will be a morning tea after the 9.00am Family Eucharist. Those wishing to contribute to his farewell gift can do so by giving their donation to a Warden, or placing it in an envelope marked "Daniel's farewell" and place it in the offertory plate.



# NEXT SUNDAY CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2014

# EZEKIEL 34.11-16, 20-24 PSALM 100 EPHESIANS 1.15-23

ROSTERED DUTIES	<b>7.30</b> AM	9.00 <sub>AM</sub>		
L.A.'s	ALLAN THOMSON	ROLAND SOWERBY		
	Roslyn Thomson	EILIS RIGBY		
READERS	Margaret O'Kearney	JANINE HARTSHORN		
	GEORGINA GREENHILL	TONY RIGBY		
INTERCESSOR	JACQUELINE HANLON	SARAH DAVIES		
Door	LIONEL ROWE			
	NITA COCHRANE	RIGBY FAMILY		
TEA / COFFEE	DOROTHY CAMERON	JOANNE WOOD		
	RUTH SOUTHGATE			
OFFERTORY	ALLAN THOMSON			
COUNTER	ROSLYN THOMSON			
CHILDREN'S CHURCH	Lyn, Ananda			
LITTLE CHILDREN'S	D			
CHURCH	DOROTHY, ANDREA			
FLOWERS	DIANNE			

WEEKLY GIVING: BUDGET \$1350/WEEK; LAST WEEK \$1258.65