

Introducing People to Jesus through Worship, Prayer & Discipleship

Pastoral Care Part One

I read an interesting book just recently that spoke about Ephesians 4 as a model for pastoral care. Generally, this passage is seen as the proof text for Pastors having the responsibility for pastoring the church.

Ephesians 4:11-13 says

¹¹ It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, ¹² to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

The major thrust of this book that I was reading was explaining that all Christians today including church pastors are part of the God's People who have the responsibility for works of service not just those designated in the text above as evangelist – pastor / teachers.

The thrust of the argument is that the word Pastors is not simply as we understand it today. When we speak of pastors we speak of pastoral care. Primarily this word in this context is that group of people who pastor the congregation by applying the Word of God to their lives.

This is a very important distinction in our lives as we seek to follow Jesus. We are all God's people who are prepared for works of service. Part of those works of service are looking after each other in our body. Pastoral care is the process of walking with people on their journey towards Christ and his kingdom. It is an activity that we all participate in as we take our roll of building the body of Christ. I pray that you will seek to care for each other in love and concern.

BIBLE READINGS

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

Psalm 8 – pg 229

Romans 5:1-5

John 16:5-15

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Wednesday 15th June

8:30am Morning Prayer

10:30am Communion Worship Service

Thursday 16th June

8pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 12th June

8am Traditional Worship Service

9am Tea & Toast Fellowship

9:30am Contemporary Worship Service

"A Message from the bishop" - Developing a strategic plan for the diocese

Dear sisters and brothers,

You may be aware that Bishop-in-Council has set up a strategic planning taskforce made up of myself, Tim Fogo, Phil Howes, James Daymond, Andrew Thornhill, Kevin Simington, Ray Haigh, and Warwick Baines.

The challenge: to develop a plan to assist churches share the news of Jesus more effectively. We determined very early on that the plan would only be one page and capable of adoption and adaptation by each parish for their context.

We are at a stage now where we'd love your input. We've put a brief survey together to help you - and us - think through how effective we are at present in our desire to see more people become Christians.

We want to ask everyone - how closely do we match the description of the early church found at the end of Acts 2 (vv42-47), where people were being added to the number of believers every day?

So:

1. would you please complete the survey found [HERE](#)
2. would clergy or parish secretaries forward this email on to parishioners and ask them to take part?
3. would clergy or churchwardens in each parish print off the attached QR code and post it in various places around the church including in your news sheets so you can promote the survey and people to complete?
4. for those who don't use the internet, would you please print a few copies of the attached print version and ask people to complete at church? Would you then please scan and send to Tim Fogo - mdo@bathurstanglican.org.au

Before the end of June, we'll have a zoom session to let you know the results of the survey.

And **SAVE THE DATE** - on **Saturday 30 July** at Orange Anglican Grammar School, we'll hold a diocesan conference, where the strategic plan will be launched!

With my very great thanks for your help!

Mark

Bishop Mark Calder

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CHURCH BRASS CLEANING

THANK-YOU to all who participated in Brass cleaning.
On-going regular Brass cleaning is set for the first Monday of each month at 10am.
All are welcome—either occasionally or regularly.
See you Monday!

Appointment Board Nominees

Nomination form for people seeking to become nominators for the Parish Appointment Board can be collected from the office or at the church services.

Parish Updates

We would like to wish the Rev'd Mal Dunnett and his wife Rosie all the best, as they leave Holy Trinity and embark on a new chapter. Thank you to the Rev. Mal for your tireless commitment and care to the Parish of Holy Trinity Orange during your 8 years at Holy Trinity Orange.

The Rev'd Sean Heslehurst will continue to support Holy Trinity in his locum ministry role, until a permanent minister is appointed.

Please contact the office, 6362 1623, for any pastoral care support should you require.

Trinity Bible Study – All Welcome

We are pleased to announce plans for a Bible Study to be held on Sunday from 5-8pm. A light supper will be part of the evening. The inaugural meeting is on Sunday June 19. We warmly extend an invitation to all.
For further information please contact Ian and Heather on 0263600212.

Safe Ministry Training – Face to Face Sessions 24 and 25 June

ANYONE who is involved in any sort of leadership in the church (including reading in services, etc) is required to do the safe ministry training.

Registrations for the face-to-face safe ministry training on Friday 24 June (Dubbo) and 25 June (Orange) are now open.

The Level 1 sessions (10am -12pm) are for all church workers (lay and clergy) whereas Level 2 sessions (12pm – 2.45pm which includes a light lunch) are for all children and youth workers. Cost for each session is \$20.

CHALLENGE PROGRAM

Facebook Market Place continues to be a busy platform to raise funds. If you have any items lying around the house that you think could be sold, please contact Lynne.

Continue to bring in plastic and glass bottles & cans to recycle and all scrapmetal to William Street Scrap Metal Dealer.

Trinity Foundation

Thanks those that have donated recently to foundation, who are currently raising funds for organ restoration, please consider donating, for more information contact the office.

PARISH COUNCIL

<i>Louis Christie (Parish Chair)</i>	<i>Rebecca Pearson</i>
<i>Lyn Atkins</i>	<i>Lynne Middleton</i>
<i>Rod Wykes</i>	<i>Garry West</i>
<i>Sandy Bosenquet</i>	<i>John Bosenquet</i>

Parish Council meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

If you are interested in joining Parish Council, please contact the office for further information and obtain an application form.

If you have any feedback, comments or questions for the Parish Council please email:

holytrinityorangesecc@gmail.com or leave your contact details with the office and a member of Parish Council will contact you.

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THANK YOU for continuing to give to fund the ministry and mission of Holy Trinity Orange Anglican Church. Please continue your generosity as we seek to introduce people to Jesus across our city.

You can do this electronically: **NAB Account BSB 082 774 Account: 391-842-618**

Or you can obtain an offertory envelope from the office.