

TRINITY NEWS

Sharing Jesus for Life

THIS WEEK

Got Questions? Meet Jesus!

Sunday 7 April

8.30am Traditional Service followed by morning tea

10.30am Contemporary Service with Kid's Group followed by morning tea

12noon Lunch at St Barnabas, 26 Dora Street

Tuesday 9 April

7pm Dessert, Talk, Q&A at St Barnabas

Wednesday 10 April

9-11.30am Trinity Playgroup in the Hall

10.30am Traditional Service followed by morning tea

6.30pm BBQ, Talk, Q&A more details overleaf

Thursday 11 April

5-6.30pm Trinity Kids' Club in the Hall

7pm Dessert, Talk, Q&A at Holy Trinity in the Hall

Saturday 13 April

9am-12noon Family Fun at St Barnabas

Sunday 14 April

8.30am Traditional Service followed by morning tea

10.30am Contemporary Service with Kid's Group followed by morning tea

12noon Lunch at Holy Trinity

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 21 April

Bishop Mark Calder visit

Saturday 4 May

Diocesan Day in Dubbio

From Andy's Desk...

This week we will be working together with St Barney's and a team of students from Moore College in Sydney to share Jesus for life with the people of Orange.

For some of us Christians this is not something we are used to doing, and it might feel a bit daunting. Some of us may even think it isn't appropriate - people's faith is a private matter so let's leave them to it.

And may be you've been invited along today and you're not yet a Christian and wondering why we are bothering with this too.

There are lots of reasons that God gives us in his word, the Bible; here is just one of them that I hope will help you to understand why Christians want to talk about Jesus and share the good news. And if you're not yet a Christian, or you're not sure and why Jesus matters so much, please ask someone sitting near you.

First, Jesus said that he is the only way for anyone to come to God and be accepted by him. Jesus said: *"I am the way, the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father except through me."* (John 14:6) That's pretty clear, isn't it? Jesus means what he says: that there is no other way to come to God. There is no other religion that can bring you to God, no way of approaching life, no way for us to get to God without Jesus on our own terms. It is Jesus or nothing.

This may seem surprising - why is that? Again, in the bible God explains that our sin cuts us off from him. *Sin* means ignoring God in the world he has made and living as though we were god in our own little world; it is something that we all do instinctively and it leads to all the wrong things we do. Jesus explains that it comes from the very centre of our being. *"For it is from within, out of a persons heart, that evil thoughts come... all these evils come from inside and defile a person."* If we are to be accepted by God who is 100% perfect then somehow we have to get rid of that sin - but we can't. We need God's forgiveness which we don't deserve, there is nothing we can do to earn and we can't pay for.

And so God sent Jesus, his Son. Jesus lived the perfect life that we could not live. And then Jesus gave himself as a substitute for us. When Jesus died a criminal's death on the cross, he died the death that we deserved to die for our sin. Then God raise him to life again on the first Easter and now he promises that to everyone who trust in Jesus he will give free forgiveness and life forever with him.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16.

That means that all across Orange there are people who may seem very nice and friendly, they may do kind things and work hard; but if they don't know Jesus and trust him, then they cannot know God and they can't be forgiven and accepted by him. Their sin cuts them off from God, and there is nothing they can do to fix the problem - except get to know Jesus and put their trust in him! And that is true for our Muslim friends and our Hindu friends and everyone from every other religion - they've missed the truth and they need to know Jesus.

That's why we Christians want to share Jesus for life.

With love in Christ,

Andy Martin
Minister



Meet Jesus

Question #01
Is the resurrection of Jesus fact or fiction?
Church Services Sunday 7 April
8:30, 10:30am @ Holy Trinity
9:30am @ St Barnabas

Question #02
Aren't we better off without religion?
Dessert, Short Talk and Q&A
7:00pm Tuesday 9 April @ St Barnabas

Question #03
Is genuine satisfaction possible?
BBQ, Short Talk and Q&A
6:30pm Wednesday 10 April

Question #04
How can I believe in God when the world is such a mess?
Dessert, Short Talk and Q&A
7:00pm Thursday 11 April @ Holy Trinity

Question #05
Why do I need Jesus? I'm fine as I am.
Church Services Sunday 14 April
8:30, 10:30am @ Holy Trinity
9:30am @ St Barnabas

Family Fun Day at St. Barnabas
9-1, Saturday 13 April





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BBQ, Short Talk and Q&A 6:30pm Wednesday 10 April 4 Matilda Avenue Clifton Grove







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TRINITY PLAYGROUP

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH HALL
ANSON STREET

9.30-11AM
WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL

FREE PLAY-SINGING-STORYTIME

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TRINITY KIDS' CLUB

FOR SCHOOL YEARS 2-6

GAMES-BIBLE TALK-CRAFT-DINNER

5 - 6.30 pm
THURSDAY 11 APRIL

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THE REAL STORY OF EASTER

STORYTIME AT ORANGE CITY LIBRARY

THURSDAY 11 APRIL AT 2PM




JOIN US FOR STORY READING
SINGING & CRAFT

Got Questions? Meet Jesus

*Who am I?
What is the purpose of life?
Who is God?
Can I make contact with him?*

Identity is a seven-week course that examines the Gospel of John to explore questions about who we are and who God is. Each session reveals more about the identity and mission of Jesus and shows why he is the key.

Wednesdays 7pm starting 1 May
at St Barnabas Church, 26-28 Dora Street

GIVING

If you would like to give financially to support the work at Holy Trinity of Sharing Jesus for Life, gifts can be placed in the baskets or gift-box at church or given online:
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