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Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35

¹ God shall arise, and his enemies shall be scattered:

those that hate him shall flee before his face. ² As smoke is dispersed, so shall they be dispersed:

as wax melts before a fire, so shall the wicked perish at the presence of God.

³ But the righteous shall be glad and exult before God: they shall rejoice with gladness.

⁴ O sing to God, sing praises to his name: glorify him that rode through the deserts, him whose name is the Lord, and exult before him.

⁵ He is the father of the fatherless, he upholds the cause of the widow: God in his holy dwelling place.

⁶ He gives the desolate a home to dwell in, and brings the prisoners out into prosperity: but rebels must dwell in a barren land.

⁷ O God, when you went out before your people:

when you marched through the wilderness,

⁸ The earth shook, the heavens poured down water:

before the God of Sinai, before God, the God of Israel.

⁹ You showered down a generous rain, O God:

vou prepared the land of your possession when it was weary.

¹⁰ And there your people settled:

in the place that your goodness, O God, had made ready for the poor.

³² Sing to God, you kingdoms of the earth: O sing praises to the Lord,

To him that rides upon the highest heavens, that were from the beginning: who utters his voice, which is a mighty voice.

³⁴ Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel: and his might is in the clouds.

³⁵ Terrible is God who comes from his holy place:

the God of Israel who gives power and strength to his people. Blessed be God.

A Prayer at this Time

Loving God, source of healing and comfort, at this time of fear, fill us with your grace, that the sick may be made whole, the virus contained and a cure found. Strengthen those who care for the sick, calm the anxious, and protect the most vulnerable in the power of the Spirit and in the faith of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Blessing For the Ascension

Christ our exalted king pour upon you his abundant gifts and bring you to reign with him in glory; [and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

My Christian Story - Have you written yours yet? What is *your* story about how you became a Christian? Grey flyers can be emailed or sent to you on request. There are ideas for you to think about and inside a place for you to write 'your story.'

All Study and Community Groups are cancelled until further notice.

Readings for the 31st May 2020—Day of Pentecost:

Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:26-36; 1 Corinthians 12:1-13; John 20:19-23



St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

Our Vision: Transforming lives through Jesus Christ. Our Mission: Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, Making disciples and Growing faith communities.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 24th May 2020

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Sentence

This is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. John 17:3

Collect

O God.

whose Son, Jesus, prayed for his disciples, and sent them into the world to proclaim the coming of your kingdom: by your Holy Spirit, hold the Church in unity. and keep it faithful to your word, so that, breaking bread together. we may be one with Christ in faith and love and service, now and for ever Amen

Readings for Today:

Acts 1: 6-14; Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-35; 1 Peter 5; John 17: 1-11.

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Weekly Services: From Monday 23rd March public worship will cease and be reviewed every two weeks.

Reflection

We read that Jesus said 'I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do'. We know what our work is because Jesus told us last week: we must share God's love. So, how about praying for epidemiologists and virologists and all who are working towards a vaccine? How about saying thank you to the teachers in your area for helping to keep kids' education on track at this difficult time? How about thanking the checkout operator at your local supermarket? — they will probably have seen some pretty bad behaviour from customers recently.

Pray that you can change your neighbourhood this week by more acts of *love, sweet love*. Give thanks for the work and witness of the Philippine Independent Church, the *Iglesia Filipina Independiente*.

Text: Robert McLean Partnerships Coordinator, ABM © Anglican Board of Mission, 2020

Online Pentecost Service

Sunday 31st May, 2020.—A diocesan online service is being produced. A link will be emailed out this week so you can access on the Day of Pentecost.

Thy Kingdom Come

A time to be intentional in praying for the world to know God's love in Jesus. The timing is for between Ascension (21st May) and Pentecost (31st May) We are to think of **5 people** we know who are not Christians, and pray intentionally during this time, that they might come to know, love and follow Jesus. Resources to help with *Thy Kingdom Come are at www.thykingdomcome.global*

Audit of the Key Register

We are currently doing an Audit of the Key Register. It would be greatly appreciated if you could contact Warden Ian Brookes and let him know of the Church Keys you have. Phone 0402 421 525 or email brookslan@dodo.com.au

NSW Government is helping your cost of living

One of our parishioners, who is a pensioner, Evelyn Eccleston, recently received a good discount when needing to get a new appliance.

Evelyn is happy to share with others how she was helped ph. 07 5599 9351

Personal Notes

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<u>Prayer List</u> The following people are in need of our prayers at this time:

Maureen Baxter, Andrew, Joy Bijl, Val Chapman, Barbara, Kay Andrews, Cressa Bartosek, Mike & Adrianne Nash, Tanya & Eva, Clive Hammond, Margaret Dudgeon, Trish Hooley, David Leigh, Cliff Boyd, Janis Hepburn, Liz Tanke, Wynn Gilliland, Christine Charlton, Bishop David McCall, Ruth Conlan, Brian Scrase, Colin Hawtin, Stephen Blaney, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Elan, Sid and Evelyn Eccleston, Robyn Hobson, Susan & Bob Gale, Alan Birch.

Our Church is committed to protecting your privacy. People on this list have requested prayer.

Please contact the Parish Office for any changes to the Prayer List

COVID-19 Update

Bp Murray has been keeping us updated. See www.graftondiocese.org.au

Public Worship ceased in the Diocese from Monday 23rd March, 2020.

On 15th May, 2020, Bishop Murray has emailed out a document entitled **COVID19 Recovery and Parish Life**—We will be working through this document, as we plan for reopening, so we can do it safely.

We do not yet have a date when Churches will reopen in our Diocese.

Current Mission and Ministry

Online Zoom Meetings

We had our first Zoom Meeting for Evening Prayer on Ascension Day and I will send out an email invitation for any further meetings we have.

Online Worship Resources

There are a number of options available from within our Diocese: See www.graftondiocese.org.au/ministry/ministry-resources/online-church/

Readings, Reflections and Intercessions

Weekly Sunday Readings, a short reflection and intercessions will be emailed out, and available on the Parish Website – www.stcuthbertschurch.com.au

Pastoral Care

I hope everyone has been able to keep in contact on the phone and electronically. Please call me at the Parish Office 07 5536 1060 if you would like a chat.

Pew Bulletin Email

We will continue to email out the Pew Bulletin each week. If you know someone who would like to get it please email me at priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au

Supporting our Parish Ministry

A Big Thank You to All those who have continued to financially support our Parish either by the normal means or now electronically. It is appreciated.

For the mission and ministry of our Parish to continue we need to give from what God has given to us. As this normally happens during the regular worship services, please find following some options you may like to consider:-

Direct Debiting to our St Cuthbert's Parish Account with the AFGD

Name: Tweed Heads Anglican Parish

BSB: 705077 Account No.: 00040111

Completing the Parish Provider Form which includes a Direct Debit Request through the AFGD.

Delivering your envelopes to the Parish Office which will continue to remain open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9am to 12 noon.

Please call Rev. Dway or the Treasurer John Gandey on 07 5599 7269 if you have any queries, or would like to discuss this further.