- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament proclaims his handiwork;
- <sup>2</sup> One day tells it to another: and night to night communicates knowledge.
- <sup>3</sup> There is no speech or language: nor are their voices heard;
- <sup>4</sup> Yet their sound has gone out through all the world: and their words to the ends of the earth.
- <sup>5</sup> There he has pitched a tent for the sun: which comes out as a bridegroom from his chamber, and rejoices like a strong man to run his course.
- <sup>6</sup> Its rising is at one end of the heavens, and its circuit to their farthest bound: and nothing is hidden from its heat.
- <sup>7</sup> The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul: the command of the Lord is true, and makes wise the simple.
- <sup>8</sup> The precepts of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, and gives light to the eyes.
- <sup>9</sup> The fear of the Lord is clean, and endures for ever: the judgements of the Lord are unchanging, and righteous every one.
- <sup>10</sup> More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold: sweeter also than honey, than the honey that drips from the comb.
- <sup>11</sup> Moreover, by them is your servant taught: and in keeping them there is great reward.
- <sup>12</sup> Who can know their own unwitting sins?: O cleanse me from my secret faults.
- <sup>13</sup> Keep your servant also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the mastery over me: so I shall be clean, and innocent of great offence.
- <sup>14</sup> May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight: O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

#### 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

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

## <u>Diocesan Prayer</u>



God in whom we live, and move and have our being, we thank you for Jesus Christ who is the Good News. By the power of your Holy Spirit, enable us to be people who transform lives, make disciples and grow communities, that your glory may be revealed in all creation. We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Readings for the 11th October 2020—Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Exodus 32.1-14; Psalm 106.1-6, 20-24; Philippians 4; Matthew 22.1-14.

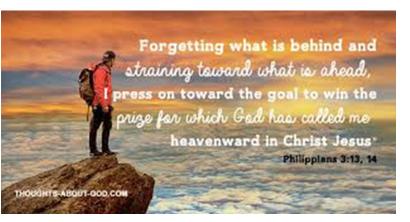


# St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

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

#### EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 4th October 2020

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**Sentence:** Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, let us press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Philippians 3.13b–14

**Collect:** Almighty God, your Son Jesus was the stone rejected by the builders, and, by your doing, he has been made the chief cornerstone: grant that, by the power of his Spirit working in us, we may become living stones built up into your dwelling place, a temple holy and acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

### Readings for Today:

Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3; Matthew 21.33-46.

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Weekly Services: Sunday 9am & 11am. COVID-19 safety plan in place. <u>BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL</u>, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE ON THURSDAY OR FRIDAY MORNINGS BETWEEN 9am & 12 NOON TO BOOK.

#### Reflection

In the section before today's reading, Jesus highlights the hypocrisy and cowardice of the religious leaders. This parable is also directed to the Chief Priests and Elders. It succinctly locates Jesus' own future suffering and death in line with the mistreatment of the Jewish prophets through the centuries.

The Chief Priests and Elders clearly get it. The parable contrast Jesus' authentic servant leadership with their own, and so they seek to have Jesus arrested.

- We pray for integrity in leadership in our community of faith, and in the secular community in this time of Covid 19. Seek the fruit of the Spirit for ourselves and each other; seek the fruits of the Kingdom for our parish, diocese and the national church. How we behave as the body actually matters.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Melanesia.
- Text: The Very Rev Phillip Saunders, Dean of Canberra and Goulburn © Anglican Board of Mission, 2020



# 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.'

# Personal Notes

**Birthdays:** 3rd: Dawn Lakay; 9th: Tricia Townend. **Anniversaries:** 2nd: Yvonne & Kevin Turner

#### M.U. NEWS

It has been decided that MU meetings will be suspended for the rest of this year unless health circumstances change.

#### <u>INTENSIVE JOURNAL®</u> LIFE CONTEXT WORKSHOP

Hosted by St. James Anglican Parish Kingscliff. 17th to 18th October 2020. Please see Notice Board in church for full details.

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

Fay Flaherty, Loretta Flaherty, Abbey Nash, Joy Kendrick, Iris Pyle, Jacqueline Kerr, Maureen Baxter, Andrew, Val Chapman, Barbara, Cressa Bartosek, 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, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Elan, Sid and Evelyn Eccleston, Robyn Hobson, Susan & Bob Gale, Tony de Kievit, George Greenway.

Our Church is committed to protecting your privacy. People on this list have requested prayer. <u>Please contact the Parish Office for any changes to the Prayer List</u>

#### COVID-19 Update

We have a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place.

Worship times are now Sunday at 9am and 11am.

Bookings are required each week, so please call the office on 07 5536 1060 on the Thursday or Friday prior between 9am and 12 noon to reserve your place.

There are a number of differences with our COVID-19 Safety Plan in place, but I believe it is a joy to be worshipping together in person again.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to call me on 07 5536 1060. God Bless Dway

#### **COVID Safe App**

If you feel you are able to, please download the app onto your phone. It will help with contact tracing if the need arises.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF FRED'S PLACE

There is a constant need to support the homeless and marginalised in our local area. Donations of non-perishable foods, toiletries etc. are always welcome and very gratefully received. Thank you.

#### Face Masks

The NSW Government put out a statement on 2nd August encouraging people to wear face masks, and one of the places named was in Worship Services. I encourage you to wear a mask where you are able.

### **National Anglican Family Violence Project**

"Help us to build a safer and more supportive Anglican Church for people who have experienced domestic violence. Join a research project aimed to help improve church practices. If you have had an experience of domestic violence and a current or previous link with the Anglican Church, please share your perspective. The online survey is anonymous and anyone can take part. Go to **surveys.ncls.org.au/NAFVP/experience** to find out more".

#### SYNOD NEWS

Thank you for your prayers. Synod ran smoothly last weekend at Twin Towns. A report is being prepared and will come out shortly.

#### **DIOCESE NEWS**

Please pray for the forthcoming diaconal ordination services: 16th of October, Grafton Cathedral: Grant Sparks and Aaron Coates 18th of October, Coffs Harbour: Kassimiro Yanga. 20th of October, Ballina: David Brown

#### **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.

If you would like to contribute electronically to the mission and ministry of our Parish, you can use the following account.

Direct Debiting to our St Cuthbert's Parish Account with the AFGD Name: Tweed Heads Anglican Parish BSB: 705077 Account No.: 00040111

Please call Rev. Dway on 07 5536 1060 or the Treasurer John Gandey on 07 5599 7269 if you have any queries, or would like to discuss this further.