Anglican Parish of Gisborne



EUCHARIST

Pentecost 2A

June 13th/14th

The Parish of Gisborne would like to acknowledge that we meet on Kulin Nation country. We pay our respects to Kulin Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to any First Nations people who are present today.

We acknowledge that Aboriginal sovereignty has not been ceded. The Parish of Gisborne is committed to being a Child Safe organisation.

WELCOME

We extend a very warm welcome to everyone who joins us for worship. Whether you are a visitor or a regular parishioner of the Anglican Church, you are invited to join us in Holy Communion. Please make yourself known to us and if you would like more information about our community and ministry, then please take a copy of our welcome brochure, visit our website or ask one of our sidespersons.

Today's worship:

What does it meant to be 'at mission'? Throughout the gospel of Matthew, the sense of urgency and direction is considerable. For many, the association with mission being something undertaken in far-flung places is not the case. Thankfully, some of the acculturation that masqueraded as mission, particularly from the English missionary societies is long gone (although we are still seeing the fruits of their efforts, and not necessarily in a good way).

Mission is the activity of the Church, be it individual, corporate or global. The call of the twelve apostles is a call to us as well. Some of us are equipped to stand along side, to comfort, to stand up for injustice, or take our part in the mission of the Parish through our Op Shops, Food Centre or other activities. Seeing what we do because we like doing something as mission is often a turning point for many. In helping in the Op Shop: you take your part in "when I needed clothing..." or the Food Centre "when I was hungry..."

All of us are at Mission, in prayer, in funding and practice.

This Sunday: Pentecost 2A Romans 5.1-11 Psalm 116.1-2, 12-18

Matthew 9.35 - 10.8

Next Sunday: Pentecost 3A Romans 6.1-11 Psalm 86.1-10,16-17

Matthew 10.34 - 39

Bible references: NRSV bible.oremus.org

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VIRTUAL MORNING TEA Sunday 10.30 am www.bit.ly/GisAngVMT

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Eucharist

Gathering in God's name

Blessed be God: ★ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, we have sinned in thought, word and deed. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

We are truly sorry and we ask you to forgive us. Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy

Help us your Spirit to live in newness of life. Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

The Presider pronounces the Absolution

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith: pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Gracious God,
you have displayed your steadfast love
in that while we were sinners, Christ died for us.
Let the Spirit of the risen One
make effective the ministry of your Church,
so that in speaking the good news
and in doing the works of Christ,
we may freely give what we have so freely received,
and so become a priestly people for your glory.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Ministry of the Word

All sit for the Reading as appointed.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Romans 5.1-11

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

May your word live in us

and bear much fruit to your glory.

Psalm 116.1-2, 12-18

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

1 I love the Lord,
for he has heard the voice of my supplication;
because he inclined his ear to me
on the day I called to him.

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Response

12 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord: in the presence of all his people.

13 Precious in the sight of the Lord: is the death of his faithful servants.

Response

14 O Lord, I am your servant, your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

15 I will offer to you a sacrifice of thanksgiving : and call upon the name of the Lord. *R*

Response

16 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord:in the presence of all his people,17 In the courts of the house of the Lord,in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.Alleluia.

Response

All stand for the Gospel Reading.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Matthew 9.35-10.8

When Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his

brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the taxcollector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

For the Gospel of the Lord,

praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

A Sermon may be preached.

Silence may follow.

The Prayers of the People

Let us pray for the world and for the Church.

Jesus, friend of all the world, you have compassion on all who came to you for help; hear the prayers we bring to your people.

We pray for the nations of the world:

for your people who daily face conflict and oppression; For those who live in poverty and deprivation;

for leaders of nations, for all who govern

and for those who administer the law.

Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour

for you, that we may work for a world of righteousness and peace.

Jesus, friend of the helpless, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for your worldwide church:

for the leaders of churches and ecumenical councils;

for missionaries, evangelists and chaplains;

and for all who work to bring your gospel to others.

Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,

that we may help to proclaim to the world the good news of your reign.

Jesus, friend of sinners, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for our community and for all whom we love:

for those without food and those with nowhere to live; for those without work and those with too little rest; for civic authorities, welfare agencies and service clubs. Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you, that we may work to create a more just and compassionate society. Jesus, friend of the outcast, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for all who are in trouble or distress:
for those without the support of friends or family;
for the sick and the dying and for those who mourn;
for medical staff and pastoral workers
and for all who care for the suffering.
Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,
that we may bring comfort to the sad,
healing to the sick and new hope to those in despair.
Jesus, friend of the needy, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We pray for all who have died in the faith.

We give thanks for your martyrs and missionaries,
evangelists and teachers;
for those of every generation who have laboured
faithfully to bring in your harvest;
for those who have been in the community of faith in this place.
Equip us for your service, and send us out to labour for you,
and bring us home, with all the saints,
to share in the glory of your everlasting reign.
Jesus, friend and intercessor, in your mercy,

hear our prayer.

We offer our prayers together as we pray:

Faithful God, you have promised to hear the prayers of all who ask in Jesus' name. In your mercy, accept our prayers. Give us what we have asked in faith, according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. The Greeting of Peace

We are the body of Christ.

His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The Offertory

The Presider may offer prayers for the offertory.

In bread and wine, O God, you provide us with the food that sustains us and the sacrament that gives us life.

Grant, we pray, that our minds and bodies may always draw strength from your holy gift.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The prayer continues...

...for ever praising you and saying:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Doxology

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray,

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours

now and forever. Amen.

The Fraction and Communion

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body in Christ for we all share in the the one bread.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The invitation to communion is given in these words.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away our sins. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Come, this is the table, not of the Church but of the Lord. All are welcome to his table. Come.

The Sending out of God's People

Gracious God, in the communion we have received you foreshadow the union of all believers in you. Grant that this sacrament may bring unity and peace to your Church. Father, we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

The Blessing and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia! In the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude at Church of the Resurrection Toccata, Anon

Parish Giving Letter

Dear Parishioners,

The COVID-19 crisis has meant hardship for many parishioners and we have has to bear the strain without traditional worship. The Parish, however, is carrying on with remote worship, and recommencing on a limited scale worship in the Churches from this week. Other Parish operations have been continued thanks to the clergy team: Father Dennis, Assistant Deacon Alan, Student Reader Ben, and our talented team of Lay Ministers.

During this crisis the Parish is missing a number of income streams that contribute to meeting the ongoing financial commitments for our Churches, Parish Centre and Vicarage. The bills unfortunately do not stop with the 'lock down'. Special thanks are due for the ongoing offertory collections (by on-line and envelopes) where many parishioners have increased their giving. Also helping are the volunteers doing previously contracted work (such as cleaning, ground maintenance).

Funding from JobKeeper, the Diocese and other sources also contributes to keeping the Parish 'in the black'. It is hoped to run a Parish Fete in some format when restrictions ease.

Concluding, I would like to encourage Parishioners to continue their generous giving and with prayerful consideration to increase at this time where possible.

With God's blessing,

Graham Dickinson Parish Treasurer

5 Marks of Mission

- 1. Witness to Christ's saving, forgiving and reconciling love for all peopl
- 2. Build welcoming, transforming communities of faith
- 3. Stand in solidarity with the poor and needy
- 4. Challenge violence, injustice and oppression, and work for peace and reconciliation
- 5. Protect, care for and renew life on our planet.



Ordinary Sunday 11 [Pentecost 2]

- Sunday 14 June 2020
- Genesis 18.1-15 (21.1-7); Psalm 116.1-2, 12-18; Romans 5.1-11; Matthew 9.35 10.8

Jesus tells the disciples that being sent out for the sake of God's mission is not without its costs. Remember all those medical workers who have contracted the Coronavirus – especially those who have died – in their work to help others. May their unstinting example inspire and encourage us to look after others as much as we can, not counting the cost. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends

(John 15.13).

- Pray that God will turn our hearts towards kindness and compassion.
- Give thanks for those who engage in medical mission in God's name, both here and overseas.

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