

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
S. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
CHRISTCHURCH



First Sunday in Advent

Advent

The Council of Saragossa (Spain, 380 AD) is the first reference to a preparatory period before celebrating the Incarnation. Fasting and daily church going was required from December 17 until Epiphany (Theophany, January 6th – the celebration of the Incarnation in those days in that and other regions).

Then, mimicking the preparation before Easter, the Synod of Mac (France, 581) decreed that from November 11 (Feast of St. Martin) until December 24 fasting be three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday). This is often called “St Martin’s Lent”.

The 7th-Century Gelasian Sacramentary (which I’ve often mentioned on this pew sheet) was the first to provide Advent liturgies for five Sundays. Pope Gregory VII (d. 1095) reduced the number of Sundays in Advent to four. Starting the Church Year on the first Sunday of Advent was a ninth century development.

Holding penitence and joyfulness in tension is a foundation of this season. There is a similar tension between preparing for the celebration of Christ’s birth (itself a relatively late arrival on the liturgical scene) and preparing for the parousia (Christ’s Second Coming)].

We, in the Southern Hemisphere, have an experience of December which is quite different to Europe and the Northern Hemisphere. Here we too are waiting, but it is for the summer holidays, for examinations and their results, and for the end of the year. Images of reassessment, first-fruits, new birth and springtime link surprisingly well even with the Northern-Hemisphere Advent we have inherited.

Rather than joining our culture’s frenetic busyness and commercialising of this time, might we make space for prayer, scripture reading, generosity, and so forth?

Bosco +

Fr Bosco Peters

The First Sunday of Advent

27 November 2022

Parish Covid Practices

- Mask wearing is optional. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use, and you are encouraged to use it - especially as you come to Communion.
- In greeting one another nearby at The Peace, please be conscious that some people may not wish to touch other people (even with a handshake).
- You may receive Communion in one kind only (Consecrated Bread). You may come up for a Blessing (hold your hands crossed across your chest, rather than held out to receive the Bread). You may receive in both kinds (Consecrated Bread and Wine, by drinking or intinction).

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Celebrant 8.00 am: Fr Bosco Peters

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Organ: Paul Ellis

Mass Setting: S. Mary's Mass

Anthony Caesaar

Organ Voluntary: Num Komm, der Heiden Heiland

JS Bach

Introit Hymn: 7

CE Oakley

Hills of the North, rejoice,
river and mountain-spring,
hark to the advent voice;
valley and lowland, sing.
Christ comes in righteousness and love,
he brings salvation from above.

Lands of the East, arise,
he is your brightest morn,
greet him with joyous eyes,
praise shall his path adorn:
your seers have longed to know their Lord;
to you he comes, the final word.

Isles of the Southern seas,
sing to the listening earth,
carry on every breeze
hope of a world's new birth:
In Christ shall all be made anew,
his word is sure, his promise true.

Shores of the utmost West,
lands of the setting sun,
welcome the heavenly guest
in whom the dawn has come:
he brings a never-ending light
who triumphed o'er our darkest night.

Shout, as you journey home,
songs be in every mouth,
lo, from the North they come,
from East and West and South:
in Jesus all shall find their rest,
in him the universe be blest.

Greeting:

I runga i te Ingoa ✠ o te Atua, te Matua, te Tama me te Wairua Tapu. **Āmine.**

(In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)

Grace and peace to you from God. **God fill you with truth and joy.**

Light the Advent candle, one:
Now the waiting has begun;
We have started on our way,
Time to think of Christmas day.

Candle, candle, burning bright,
Shining in the warm Summer night;
Candle, candle, burning bright,
Fill our hearts with Christmas light.

The people are invited to call to mind their sins in silence

**Kyrie, eleison, Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison, Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.**

Through the cross of Christ, ✠ God have mercy on you, pardon you, and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

God of hope, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in the which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; so that on the last day when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: *(sit)*

Isaiah 2: 1–5

Ann Jinman

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: 122

R. I was glad when they said to me: Let us go to the house of the Lord.

1. I was glad when they said to me: Let us go to the house of the Lord. And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**
2. There the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. There are set thrones of judgement, the thrones of the house of David. **R.**
3. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may those who love you prosper. Peace be within your walls, and prosperity within your palaces. **R.**
4. For the sake of my kinsfolk and companions I will pray that peace may be with you. Because of the house of the Lord our God I will pray for your good. **R.**

Second Reading:

Romans 13: 11–14

Barbara Moreton

Brothers and sisters, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near.

Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Gospel Acclamation: (*stand*)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Lord bless you

Praise and Glory to God

Gospel:

Matthew 24: 36–44

Fr Peter Williams

Jesus spoke to his disciples, “About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep wake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.”

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to Christ the Word.**

Sermon: Fr Bosco Peters

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human (*all genuflect or bow*).

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection ☩ of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions: Margaret Maclagan

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**
May they rest in peace and rise in glory. **Amen.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with you,
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

At the Peace all may exchange a greeting with those near them.

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ.

By one spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace:

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

The Preparation of the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.

It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share

in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.

Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Offertory Hymn: 11

TA Lacey

O come, O come, Emmanuel!
Redeem thy captive Israel,
That into exile drear is gone
Far from the face of God's dear Son.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Lord of David's Key!
The royal door fling wide and free;
Safeguard for us the heavenward road,
And bar the way to death's abode.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Wisdom from on high!
Who madest all in earth and sky,
Creating man from dust and clay:
To us reveal salvation's way.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!
Pour on our souls thy healing light;
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom,
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, O come, Adonāi,
Who in thy glorious majesty
From Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,
Gavest thy folk the ancient law.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, Desire of nations! Show
Thy kingly reign on earth below;
Thou Corner-stone, uniting all,
Restore the ruin of our fall.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

Pray, sisters and brothers,
that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

God of hope, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in the which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; so that on the last day when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit now and for ever.

Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

God's Spirit is with us.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

You create all things and send Jesus Christ to share our human nature to open for us the way of salvation.

In hope we now watch for that day when Christ comes again in glory.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in Christ, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

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.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father. Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me. After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said:

Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we show forth;
your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await. Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus.**

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ, our great high priest.

Hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you. In mercy and love unite all your children, wherever they may be.

Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have left this world in your friendship. We hope to enjoy for ever the vision of your glory through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come.

United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.**

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki, ka ĭnoi tātou

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āiane
he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei
i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria,
Āke ake ake. Āmine.**

Eucharistic Ministers: Rachel Watson, Gail Chiswell

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

I was glad when they said to me: Let us go to the house of the Lord.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

Happy are we who are called to his supper.

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

For Communion, leave your seat by the side aisle and come down the central aisle. You are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer.

Advent Antiphon: I look from afar Giovanni Luis da Palestrina

Advent Prose: 501 (*Verses from*)

Antiphon:

Drop down, ye heavens, from above,

and let the skies pour down

righteousness.

Be not wroth very sore, O Lord,
neither remember iniquity forever:

thy holy cities are a wilderness,

Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a

desolation:

our holy and our beautiful house,

where our fathers praised thee.

Drop down, ...

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord,

and my servant whom I have chosen:

that ye may know me and believe me:

I, even I, am the Lord,

and beside me there is no Saviour:

and there is none that can deliver out of
my hand.

Drop down, ...

We have sinned, and are as an unclean
thing,

and we all do fade as a leaf:

and our iniquities, like the wind,

have taken us away:

thou hast hid thy face from us:

and hast consumed us, because of our
iniquities.

Drop down, ...

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people,
my salvation shall not tarry:

I have blotted out as a thick cloud

thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save
thee:

For I am the Lord thy God,

the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

Drop down, ...

Prayer after Communion:

God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of Man. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing: *The Priest gives the blessing.*

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Final Hymn:

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F Pratt Green

Long ago, prophets knew
Christ would come, born a Jew.
Come to make all things new;
Bear his People's burden,
Freely love and pardon.

Mary, hail! Though afraid,
She believed, she obeyed.
In her womb God is laid;
Till the time expected
Nurtured and protected.

Refrain:

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
When he comes,
When he comes,
Who will make him welcome?

Ring, bells, ring...

Journey ends! Where afar
Bethlem shines, like a star,
Stable door stands ajar.
Unborn Son of Mary,
Saviour, do not tarry!

God in time, God in man,
This is God's timeless plan:
He will come, as a man,
Born himself of woman,
God divinely human.

Refrain:

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
Jesus comes!
Jesus comes!

Ring, bells, ring...

We will make him welcome!

Organ Voluntary:

March on Handel's 'Lift up your heads'

Alexandre Guilmant

Prior to 1549, the Latin Missal had a "Stir up" collect. Today's collect ("God of hope, give us...") is from Thomas Cranmer's original, based on Romans 13:12, the ancient Advent 1 epistle reading still retained as the second reading in Year A. It holds together cast off darkness – put on light, mortal life – life immortal, great humility – glorious majesty. The fulcrum is our own present "now". The conclusion may have been derived from a post-communion prayer in the Gelasian Sacramentary.

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THIS WEEK**Notices**

Meditation Group—Wed 12.00 noon everyone is invited to meditate for 20 minutes at home in a virtual group. Contact: Margaret Maclagan 0275599216.

The meditation group are looking for a coordinator—not a daunting task please contact Fr. Bosco by email or telephone if you can help.

Bible Study— Thurs 11.00 am, Parish Lounge.

Parish Lunch Pegasus Arms—Sun 4 Dec, 12 pm. Please RSVP to Ros on 027-242-8282 by 30 Nov.

Inasmuch Basket—please continue to support the work of the City Mission.

NEXT WEEK**The Second Sunday in Advent**

4 December 2022

8:00 am Low Mass **Celebrant:** Fr Bosco Peters
10.00 am Solemn Mass **Celebrant:** Fr Bosco Peters
Servers: **SD:** Margaret Maclagan **MC:** Robert Calvert
Th: Michael Graveston **Cr:** Thomas Visakan
Ac: Georgia Caughey, Jack Barrie
First Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10 Joshua Wilson Black
Second Reading: Romans 15: 4-13 Rachel Watson
Gospel: Matthew 3: 1-12 Fr Geoff Paterson
Sermon: Fr Bosco Peters
Sides people: Jane Ellis, Andrew Moorhouse
Intercessions: Barbara Moreton
Offertory: Adrienne Curtis, Dorothy Burrows
Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret Maclagan, Dorothy Burrows
Morning Tea: Vince Moreton, Pat Pilkington
Sacristan: Joshua Wilson Black
Sacristy: Joy Coulter
Flowers: Toni Stewart

Please pray for...**The Sick:**

Alastair Scott, Rita Libeau, John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Bert Riseley, Shirley Kember, Clemency Mutze, Margaret Weaver.

Sr Annette, Anne Fenton, Oscar Bisman, Fi-Bee, Kay Burgess, Magda Burney, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Mary Lazarus, Ongloon Yee, Raylene Coochey, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Anniversaries: (Sun) Alice Lamport (Thurs) David Buzzard (Fri) George Julius

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Wednesday	S. Andrew, Apostle, Martyr
12:35 pm	Mass
Thursday	Feria
12:35 pm	Mass
Friday	Feria
12:35 pm	Mass
Saturday	Francis Xavier, Missionary, 1552
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