

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS
CHRISTCHURCH



The First Sunday of Advent
1 December 2024

From the Vicar...

Dear friends,

Last weekend was a joyous occasion as some of us attended Deacon Robert's ordination and then welcomed him to the parish at the 10am service. Robert will be with us as curate for 2 years, typically one year as a Deacon and then one as Priest. It is good to have him with us. As we enter into December we of course start to prepare for the important Feast of Christmas. It is usually a time when we have visitors or newcomers and it is a good opportunity to welcome them in our midst. Connected with this is the issue surrounding length of the service, particularly notices. We love to hear what is going on in the parish and all the variety of ministry that people offer. However, we do need to be mindful of the length. If you do have a notice for the parish, please get it in writing to Taunya by at least Wednesday so that she can include it in the service sheet. If you have a notice in writing and you would like it highlighted, please let me know and I can do this. Of course, it is good to hear from people time to time but we just need to be mindful of length. Thank you.

This Sunday we enter into the Season of Advent. There is evidence from the mid-4th century on concerning some period of preparation for the Christmas-Epiphany celebration. Length and emphasis varied from place to place. Some regions kept a relatively long Advent (from November 11); others, a rather brief one. In Rome the season evolved to a 4-week preparation focusing on the joyful celebration of the Lord's Incarnation. In Gaul there was a longer, heavily penitential season emphasising the Lord's glorious advent at the end of time as Lord of history and judge of the universe. Roman practice from the 12th century, codified by the Council of Trent and enhanced by the greatly enriched lectionary of Vatican Council II, combines these different emphases. Which Anglicans also adopted.

The violet vestments (with rose as an option on the 3rd Sunday) and the preaching of John the Baptist bespeak the penitential aspect which invites the people to reform. The Gloria is omitted, as during Lent, but for a somewhat different reason, as the official commentary on the revised Calendar notes: "So that on Christmas night the song of the angels may ring out anew in all its freshness." On the other hand, there is a clear note of joyful expectation: The Alleluia is retained before the Gospel.

Advent is a time for looking both backward and forward. We look backward as we prepare to celebrate the historical birth of Jesus of Nazareth at Christmas. Before that birth people longed for the Messiah who would restore Israel to her former power. We identify with that ancient longing for restoration as we await Christ's coming more fully into our lives and also as we await His coming again.

God Bless,



Father Jordan

Copies of the music for the mass setting and hymns are available from the Sides People.

The First Sunday of Advent

1 December 2024

Celebrant 8.00 am: Fr Jordan Greatbatch
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Sidespeople: Robert Maclagan, Joy Coulter
Organ: Improvisation on Veni Emmanuel Paul Manz
Mass Setting: St Mary's Mass Anthony Caesar

Introit Hymn: 11

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, Adonai,
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.

Greeting:



Ki te ingoa o te ✠ Matua, me te Tamaiti, me te Wairua Tapu. **Ā—mi—ne.**
(In the name of the ✠ Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)



The Lord be with you. **The Lord bless you.**

The Mass of the day is introduced and the people are invited to call to mind their sins.

**Merciful God,
we have sinned in what we have thought and said,
in the wrong we have done,
and in the good we have not done.
We have sinned in ignorance:
we have sinned in weakness:
we have sinned through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry.
We repent and turn to you.
Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake,
and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.**

**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.**

The peace of Christ rule in our hearts.
The word of Christ dwell in us richly.

Let us pray (*silence*).

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, into 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*) Jeremiah 33: 14–16 Brenda Withell
The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

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

Responsorial Psalm: 25
R. Redeem your people, O God, and bring them out of all their distress.

Make known to me your ways, O Lord, and teach me your paths. Lead me in the way of your truth and teach me. You are God my saviour; for you have I waited all the day long. **R.**

You, O Lord, are upright and good, therefore you show the path to those who go astray. You guide the humble to do what is right, and to those who are gentle you teach your way. **R.**

All your ways are loving and sure to those who keep your covenant and your commandments. Your friendship, O Lord, is for those who honour you, and to them you reveal your covenant. **R**

Second Reading: (*sit*) 1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

Sue Shannons

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you.

And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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

Gospel Acclamation: (*stand*)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Look up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you

The Lord bless you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke

Praise and Glory to God

Gospel: Luke 21: 25–36

Deacon Robert Jamieson

Jesus said to his disciples: “There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth.

Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

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

Sermon:

Fr Jordan Greatbatch

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, (*all genuflect or bow*)
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and became fully human.
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.**

Prayer and Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Our help is in the name of the Lord. ✠

Who made heaven and earth.

The Lord be with you.

The Lord bless you.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, by whose Word all things are sanctified, pour out your blessing upon this wreath and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ and may receive your abundant grace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Advent Wreath is blessed and lit.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Stir up your might, we beg you, O Lord, and come, so that we may escape through your protection and be saved by your help from the dangers that threaten us because of our sins. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Intercessions: Jenny Daniels

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 non physical 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.

Offertory:

Joy Coulter, Gloria Moyle

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: 7

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.

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

**May the Lord receive 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 love and power, your word stirs within us the expectation of the coming of your Son. Accept all we offer you this day, and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

God's Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed,
it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord,
almighty Father, everlasting God,
at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son.

For when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh,
he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world
to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,
we now watch for the day
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him,
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.

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.**

As Christ teaches us we 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 for ever.
Amen.**

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki,
ka īnoi tatou:

E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tau e pai ai,
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, Gloria Moyle

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.

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

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.

Anthem:

Lift up your heads

Johann Fraylinghausen

Communion Hymn: Advent Prose 501

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 heavens, from above, and
let the skies
pour down righteousness.

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, ye heavens, from above, and
let the skies pour down righteousness.

Let us pray (*silence*).

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 Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing:

The Lord be with you. **The Lord bless you.**

Christ the sun of righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path, and may the blessing of God almighty, ✠ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

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, ye heavens, from above, and
let the skies
pour down righteousness.

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, ye heavens, from above, and
let the skies
pour down righteousness.

Final Hymn: 3

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free,
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.

Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a king,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art,
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

By Thine own eternal Spirit,
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

Organ Voluntary: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland Dietrich Buxtehude

7.00 pm Advent Readings and Carols

Please pray for...

The Sick:

Braden Ritchie, Lynda Daniels, Donna Curtis, John Patterson, Pamela Hindin-Whitewood,
Charles Barltrop, Jamie McDermott, Terry & Betsy McKay.

Rita Libeau, Claire & John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen,
Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Lesta Smithson, John Bertken, Peter Easterbrook,
Anne Fenton, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Ongloon Yee, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Anniversaries: (Sun) Brigid Moorhouse (Mon) David Buzzard
(Tues) George Julius, John Moyle (Fri) Samuel Cuming

NOTICES

THIS WEEK

Needlework Group Tuesday, 7.00 pm at Joy Coulter's home. DVD and Christmas supper night. Contact: Ros 0272428282.

Meditation Group—Wednesday 12.00 noon in the church. Contact: Therese Aitchison 0212516282.

Bible Study— Thursday 11.00 am, Parish Lounge.

Pray the Rosary—Thursday 12.00 noon.

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

CITY MISSION—CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

If you would like to buy a Christmas present for the children at the City Mission please wrap them with the age and gender of the child on the outside and leave them in the box at the back of the church. They will be given to the children on Christmas Day during the church service at the City Mission.

TONIGHT



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7PM

Tonight

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Health & Safety Regulations: In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

NEXT WEEK**The Second Sunday of Advent****8 December 2024**

8:00 am Mass	Celebrant: Fr Jordan Greatbatch	Server: Eyob Habte
10.00 am Mass	Celebrant: Fr Jordan Greatbatch	
	Preacher: Fr Jordan Greatbatch	
Servers:	SD: Jack Barrie	MC: Joshua Wilson Black
	Th: Hugh Munro	Cr: Robert Calvert
	Ac: Callum Robertson, Georgia Caughey	
First Reading:	Thomas Visakan	Baruch 5:1-9
Second Reading:	Johann Williams	Philippians 1:3-11
Gospel:	Deacon Robert Jamieson	Luke 3:1-6
Eucharist Ministers:	Jack Barrie, Jenny Daniels	
Sides people:	Carol Fraser, Kathleen Campbell	
Intercessions:	Margaret Maclagan	
Offertory:	Brenda Withell, Mary Stevenson	
Morning Tea:	Joy Coulter, Jane Ellis	
Sacristan:	Eyob Habte	
Sacristy:	Joy Coulter	
Livestream:	Jane Evans	
Flowers:	Toni Stewart	
Evensong Readers:	Taizé	
Evensong Server:	Taizé	

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This Sunday First Sunday of Advent—1 December 2024

8.00 am **Low Mass**
10.00 am **High Mass**
7.00 pm **Advent Readings and Carols**

Monday Feria
12.35 pm Mass

Tuesday Francis Xavier, Missionary
8.30 am Morning Prayer
12.35 pm Mass

Wednesday Feria
8.30 am Morning Prayer
12.00 pm Meditation Group
12.35 pm Mass

Thursday Feria
8.30 am Morning Prayer
11.00 am Bible Study
12.00 noon Rosary Group
12.35 pm Mass

Friday Nicholas, Bishop of Myra
8.30 am Morning Prayer
12.35 pm Mass

Saturday Ambrose, Bishop of Milan

Next Sunday Second Sunday of Advent—8 December 2024

8.00 am Low Mass
10.00 am High Mass
7.00 pm Taizé

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Sunday

10.00 am Solemn Mass