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1st Sunday *in* Advent
1 December 2019

We welcome those who are single, married, divorced, widowed, straight, gay, old, young or somewhere in between.

We welcome wailing babies, excited toddlers, lonely parents, children and teenagers.

We welcome those who work too hard, don't work or can't spell.

Those who are sick, anxious and worried or need to talk about such problems or just be with others who are friendly and helpful.

We welcome those who could use a prayer right now and those who may have had religion forced down their throats as children and feel switched off but still in search of something or are just plain curious.

We welcome locals, doubters, pilgrims, seekers and YOU!



God the Father on a throne, Wessphalia, Germany, late 15th century.

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ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – ANGELS AND OTHER STARS NEEDED!

Angels Needed! Along with Donkeys, Sheep, lots of other Animals, Wise Men (and Women), and all other sorts of characters, for St. John's Crib Service on **Sunday 15 December at 5:00pm**. Rehearsals begin soon! Volunteers are also needed to help with staging and costumes. Always a terrific community event, as the young ones all love the opportunity to star and dress up. Tell your friends, cousins, nieces, nephews, children and grandchildren! Email Mthr. Colleen at curate@stjohnscamberwell.org.au or call on 0425 731 028 for further information. Singers, musicians and choristers also required! *All welcome!*

A 'THANK YOU'

Dear friends. Thank you for the beautiful icon you gave me for my priestly ordination and the very generous cheque that accompanied it. I will find something special to buy with it and let you know what it is. Thank you also for your prayerful and loving support of me over the last 9 months. I am blessed to be with you. *Colleen.*

NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS – 6.00pm Sunday 8 December

For over 100 years, the service of 'Nine Lessons and Carols' from Kings College Cambridge has thrilled worshippers around the world. St. John's will hold it's own service of Lessons and Carols at **6.00pm on Sunday 8 December**, with our wonderful Evensong Choir, the St John's Consort, under the direction of Michael Fulcher, leading the music on the night. It promises to be a very special evening. Tell your friends! Better still, invite them all! *All welcome!*

WELCOME TO ALL ATTENDING TOM'S CONFIRMATION

A very warm welcome to all visiting St John's this morning for the Confirmation of Tom Downes! We are grateful for Tom's presence among us now, and look forward to his continuing growth as a child of God. Welcome too to Bp Graeme Rutherford, a former Vicar of St. John's, who will Preside at the Confirmation today. Please continue to pray for Tom as he begins his life as a Communicant member of the congregation. Thank you to his Godparents for their support over the years since his baptism.

THE FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S LUNCH - Monday 2 December at 12noon

The Friends of St John's Community Support Group invited you to a BYO Lunch Meeting on Monday 2 December at 12noon. Join in the Chapel for a brief Eucharist at 12 noon before lunch and a meeting in the Rutherford Room. We extend a warm invitation to anyone interested in our outreach activities to join us. Please contact the Convener, Liz Pratt, for further information on liz@pratt.id.au.

NEW AUDIO-VISUAL SYSTEM FOR THE CHURCH

Parish Council has agreed to purchase audio-visual resources for use in the church and around the buildings. The large-format screens will be available for children's and young adult worship, as well presentations in the Rutherford Room and during funerals and the like. A quotation has been accepted for a system that will allow 'foolproof' operation and greater flexibility, as the screens will not be permanent in the church. The final cost is more than anticipated and donations would be gladly received to cover the cost. *Can you help?*

CAN YOU HELP WITH MORNING TEA? Help is needed to set-up and serve morning tea after Sunday services. Offering hospitality to visitors and parishioners is one great ministries of the church. Call Diana Azzopardi 0411 201 443 for further information.

ANGLICAN CHRISTMAS CARDS Anglicare Christmas cards are available after worship each Sunday from Ann Darlington or from the office during office hours. The cards are lovely and all the profits go to support the good work of Anglicare.

ADVENT BOOK SALE

Carol from the Book Shop at St Peter's Eastern Hill is visiting St John's on Sunday next, 1 December, with a selection of wonderful resources for Advent and beyond, including some terrific Christmas presents for the younger ones. Come prepared! It will be Advent after all!

ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Thank you for your wonderful response Mission House staff are very grateful for your support for the families they help at this time of the year with gifts and festive food.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Join for Meditation in the Chapel **each Tuesday at 4.00pm**. No experience necessary!

ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDAR 2020 Anglican Calendars are now available on Sundays from Dawn Harvey or the parish office during the week. \$12 each.

DECEMBER-JANUARY PRAYER JOURNAL The Journal of Scripture & Prayer for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany is available today. Please take a copy.

A NEW PARISH COUNCIL Congratulations to the Parish Council, elected or appointed at Annual General Meeting: Genevieve Bogtstra, Adrienne Bolch, Gavin D'Mello, Lee Ewe, Hans Ferdinands (Warden), Peter Forwood, Ferry Hasiholan, Andrew Porter (Warden), Muriel Porter (Warden), Graham Pratt, Ross Smith (Secretary), Geoffrey Vincent. We wish them all success in the year ahead and are thankful for their service.

TODAY SUNDAY 1 DECEMBER 2019

First Sunday in Advent

8.00am EUCHARIST

Presider: Colleen Clayton
Preacher: Graeme Rutherford
Reader: Hans Ferdinands
Intercessor: Geoff Vincent
Server: TBA
Euch. Asst.: Geoff Vincent

10.00am SUNG EUCHARIST

with Confirmation

Presider: John Baldock
Preacher: Graeme Rutherford
Deacon: Colleen Clayton
Sub-Deacon: TBA
Readers: Gavin D'Mello, Ramya D'Mello
Intercessor: Confirmation
Servers: TBA

For children: *Please make use of activities at the back of the Church*

6.00pm LITURGY OF THE LIGHT

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Isaiah 2: 1-5 | Psalm 122

Romans 13:9-14 | Matthew 24:36-44

NEXT SUNDAY 8 DECEMBER 2019

Second Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 11: 1-10 | Psalm 72: 1-7, 18-19
Romans 15: 4-13 | Matthew 3: 1-12

8.00am EUCHARIST

Presider: John Baldock
Preacher: Colleen Clayton
Reader: Penny Galbraith
Intercessor: Peter Forwood
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Eucharistic Asst: Penny Galbraith

10.00am SUNG EUCHARIST

Presider: Colleen Clayton
Preacher: Colleen Clayton
Deacon: John Baldock
Sub-Deacon: Ross Smith
Readers: Kerry Pratt, Sue Banting
Intercessor: Keith Dempster
Servers: Geoff Vincent (MC), Alison Asquith,
Janice Wong

Eucharistic Asst: Sub Deacon, Janice Wong
For children: *Please make use of activities at the back of the Church*

6.00pm NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

MEDITATION: *Make Me Pure*

But what are Heaven's alarms to hearts that cower
 In wilful slumber, deepening every hour,
 That draw their curtains closer round,
 The nearer swells the trumpet's sound?
 Lord, ere our trembling lamps sink down and die,
 Touch us with chastening hand, and make us feel Thee nigh.

John Keble Advent Poem'

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritise the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

YEAR'S MIND We remember before God, Enid Beeton, Ian Winter Ashton, Marion Weisser (Deacon), Mavis Fowler, Arthur Webber, William Rait, and Nanette Good (Priest), whose anniversaries occur at this time.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

		<i>Morning (9am) and Evening Prayer (5pm) Mondays to Fridays</i>
Monday 2 December	12 noon	Friends of St John's Community Service Group - Chapel and Rutherford Room
	1.00pm	Archives Group meets in the Rutherford Room
Tuesday 3 December	9.00am	Pastoral Care Support Group meets in the Chapel, then the Dempster Room
	12 noon	Eucharist in the Chapel
	4.00pm	Meditation in the Chapel
Wednesday 4 December	1.30pm	Eucharist at Shenley Manor
Thursday 5 December	7.30pm	Choir Practice



Sunday

8:00am Eucharist
 10:00am Sung Eucharist
 6:00pm Liturgy of Light
 6.00pm Evensong -
 2nd Sunday of the month

Weekday Eucharist

Tuesday 12.00noon
 Wednesday 6.30pm
 1st Wednesday Eucharist & *Curry*
 2nd Wednesday 7.00pm

Morning & Evening Prayer

Weekdays 9:00am & 5:00pm

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