

FUTURE DATES

An Advent, Christmas and Epiphany calendar outlining key dates is available in the narthex.

Eucharist in Chapel 7.00pm Wednesday 13 December

Parish Council Meeting: 7.30pm in Dempster Room on Wednesday 13 December.

THE REV'D KUNCORO RUSMAN has been asked to participate in *A Service of Culture and Fellowship* at which the Archbishop will preside in the Cathedral at 5pm on Saturday 9 December. Some may wish to support the Archbishop and Kuncoro in this initiative.

CHRISTMAS DAY and/or NEW YEAR'S DAY: Bring lunch to share in the Rutherford Room. Speak to Keith after church or leave name(s) with Parish Office by 17 December.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
Morning (9.30am) and Evening Prayer (5pm)
Tuesdays to Fridays
unless otherwise mentioned below.

MONDAY 4 December

12noon Meeting of Friends of St John's Community Support Group—starting in Chapel then moving to Rutherford Room Annex.

TUESDAY 5 December

9.30am Pastoral Care Support Team begins in Chapel for Morning Prayer then to Dempster Room for meeting

12 noon Eucharist in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY 6 December—No Evening Prayer

6.30pm Eucharist in Chapel followed by Curry Meal in Rutherford Room

THURSDAY 7 December

7.30pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Thursday Study Group at Ross' home

SATURDAY 9 December

9.30am Advent Quiet Morning in the Chapel, led by Fr. Ken Hewlett.



CONTACT

ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL
Advent Sunday —3 December 2017

Greetings!

Many parishes in the diocese were probably much focussed on Annual Meetings and may not have been aware that on Saturday the 25th of November an Ordination Service for Priests was conducted in our Cathedral Church of St. Paul. Twenty one candidates were ordained priests in the Church of God. In my personal reflections last weekend I pondered how ministry might evolve and develop for the men and women being ordained last Saturday. In my pondering I remembered a book Monica Furlong wrote; its title was 'With Love to the Church'; Monica Furlong now deceased was a journalist, writer and a person of deep faith who lived in England. I no longer have a copy of the book I mentioned however in my files I have a quote from it that is related to priestly ministry.

"The Parson's Role Today": "I am clear what I want of the clergy. I want them to be people who can by their own happiness and contentment challenge my ideas about status, about success, about money, and so teach me how to live more independently of such drugs.

"I want them to be people who can dare, as I do not dare, and as few of my contemporaries dare, to refuse to work flat out (since work is an even more subtle drug than status), to refuse to compete with me in strenuousness. I want them to be people who are secure enough in the value of what they are doing to have time to read, to sit and think, and who can face the emptiness and possible depression which often attack people when they do not keep the surface of their mind occupied.

"I want them to be people who have faced this kind of loneliness and discovered how fruitful it was, as I want them to be people who have faced the problems of prayer. I want them to be people who can sit still without feeling guilty, and from whom I can learn some kind of tranquillity in a society which has almost lost the art."

Let remember those recently ordained priests in our diocese and let us pray for them as they being their ministries in the Church of God.

Ken

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WELCOME! We are glad to have you join us in the sacred liturgy. With generations of Christ's followers we are all welcomed around the banquet table of the Word made flesh—regardless of gender, race, colour, sexual orientation, social status or any other distinction. And you are warmly invited to join us for morning tea following the 10am liturgy in the Rutherford Room.

TODAY

8.00am EUCHARIST

President: Ken Hewlett
Preacher: Ken Hewlett
Readers: Hans Ferdinands
Intercessor: Geoff Vincent
Server: Geoff Vincent
Euch. Asst.: Geoff Vincent

10am SUNG EUCHARIST

President: Richard Wilson
Preacher: Ken Hewlett
Deacon: Ken Hewlett
Sub-Deacon: Wendy Crouch
Readers: Lyle Gurrin, Louise Keogh
Intercessor: Wendy Crouch
Cantor: Muriel Porter
Servers: Ross Smith (MC), Sue Banting, Robin Carter, Neil Nyholm
Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Carole Nicholls
For children: Please make use of activities at the back of the church.

6.00pm LITURGY of LIGHT

LECTIONS FOR THE DAY

*Isaiah 64: 1-9; Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19;
1 Corinthians 1: 1-9; Mark 13: 24-37.*

PRAYER JOURNAL: The Journal of Scripture & Prayer for Advent to CandleMass – December & January to the first Sunday in February – is available today. Please take your copy.

COPIES OF the ANNUAL REPORT are available after liturgies today.

St John's 'Parish Covenant' is the basis for all relationships, social interactions, and patterns of behaviour within and concerning the Parish. It is on display in the narthex and available on the parish website. All parishioners are encouraged to sign the Covenant, demonstrating their public commitment to a safe and healthy parish community.

ADVENT STARTS TODAY! You will notice several changes in the liturgy today, as we move into the season of waiting for the coming of our Lord. The seasonal colour is blue, so the clergy will be wearing the dramatic blue vestments made for the parish by Barbara Gronn, and blessed on Advent Sunday last year. The first candle on the Advent wreath will be lit today.

On the narthex table you will find a flyer outlining the key dates for the start of this new Church Year: Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. Please take one; you might want to put it on your fridge, and share it with family and friends.

In the narthex, you will also find two booklets to help your preparations – *Taking Advent Home*, and *Advent, Christmas, Epiphany – a Guide to the Season*.

ADVENT MASS SETTING: For the four Sundays of Advent, we will once again sing the hauntingly lovely mass setting, 'Missa Emmanuel', by American composer Richard Proulx, at the 10am liturgy. This very simple setting echoes the key musical phrases from the well-known Advent hymn, 'O Come, O come, Emmanuel', which we will also be singing each Sunday.

ADVENT LITURGY OF LIGHT: 5pm Tuesday to Friday during Advent. This beautiful and simple liturgy (from *An Australian Prayer Book*) is a welcome moment of peaceful prayer in the busyness of December. All welcome.

ADVENT QUIET MORNING: Next Saturday, 9 December, Fr Ken will lead a quiet morning in the Chapel, commencing at 9.30am and finishing by 12.30pm. All welcome.

TOMORROW, FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S Community Support Group: We begin with a short Eucharist in the Chapel at 12 noon followed by a BYO lunch meeting in the Rutherford Room Annex. It is a time for sharing our stories, reflecting on our ministry and planning for 2018. Anyone interested is welcome to come along. Liz Pratt - liz@pratt.id.au

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS. Parishioners are invited to give a donation towards the cost of the celebratory flowers we have at Christmas. Donations can be put in the box at the back of the Church or handed in to the Office during the week. Enquiries to Wendy Way (98982108).

AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CALENDARS are available for purchase during November on Sundays at church or the parish office during office hours. *Dawn Harvey*

ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS CARDS are now available and on display in the Rutherford Room after church on Sundays and in the office through the week. Please place your orders on the list provided. Help support a good cause by your purchase. *Ann Darlington*.

ANGLICARE TOY & FOOD APPEAL: Please support this appeal by donating non-perishable food items and new toys (unwrapped). Copies of a list with suggested gift items are on the table in the narthex for you to take shopping with you and a notice on the noticeboard. Thankyou for your care.

NEXT SUNDAY —10 December 2017

Advent 2

*Isaiah 40: 1-11; Psalm 85: 1-2, 8-13;
2 Peter 3: 8-15a; Mark 1: 1-8*

8am EUCHARIST

President: Richard Wilson
Preacher: Richard Wilson
Reader: Penny Galbraith
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst.: Penny Galbraith

9.00am BREAKFAST

10am SUNG EUCHARIST

Commissioning of Parish Council

President: Ken Hewlett
Preacher: Richard Wilson
Deacon: Richard Wilson
Sub-Deacon: Cynthia Nyholm
Readers: Andrew Porter, Georgina Porter
Intercessor: Neil Nyholm
Servers: Ross Smith (MC); Geoff Vincent, Jenny Cook, Sue Banting

Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Verona Lea
For children: Please make use of activities at the back of the church

6.00pm LITURGY of LIGHT

NEXT SUNDAY: At 10am Eucharist the Parish Council will be commissioned.

Wardens: Glenis Heath, Cynthia Nyholm
Councillors: Brian Crouch, Ann Darlington, Peter Forwood, Annette Holland, Susan Keogh, Greg Lee, Andre Lim, Ross Smith.

FRIDAY PRAYERS: Now that the Revd Anne Kennedy has joined our locum staff, we are able to resume morning and evening prayer on Fridays. As on Tuesdays to Thursdays, morning prayer will be at 9.30am and evening prayer at 5pm.

YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Ian Winter Ashton, Marion Weisser, (Deacon), Mavis Fowler, Arthur Webber, William Rait, Nanette Good, (Priest), Nancy Mitchell, Edward Gibson, and Winifred Saunders, whose anniversaries occur at this time.