

FUTURE DATES

SUNDAY LUNCH 16 December 12 noon at the Vicarage (See note page 2)

WORKING BEE: Saturday 22 December at the church from 9am. Bring tools.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

Christmas Eve—Monday 24 December

4.00pm *Crib Service—come in costume*

6.00pm *Messe de Noël pour les Enfants et les Familles*

11.00pm *Carols*

11.30pm *Midnight Mass*

Christmas Day - Tuesday 25 December

10.00am *Sung Eucharist.*

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

*Morning (9am) and Evening Prayer (5pm)
Mondays to Fridays unless mentioned below.*

MONDAY 10 December

3.30pm Asylum Seeker & Refugee Support Group meets in Dempster Room

TUESDAY 11 December

11.00am Eucharist at Shenley Manor

12 noon Eucharist in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY 12 December—No Evening Prayer

7.00pm Eucharist in the chapel

7.30pm Parish Council—first meeting of new council in Dempster Room

FRIDAY 14 December

12 noon—2pm—Staff Christmas lunch out of the office. Office will be closed during this time.

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*

KEEP UP TO DATE with information by using the St John's Camberwell website. Contact is uploaded promptly. www.stjohnscamberwell.org.au

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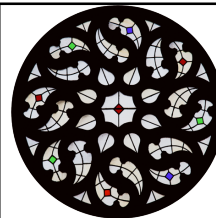
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ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL
December 9 2018—Advent 2

The 'O' antiphons

The 'O antiphons', traditionally used during Advent liturgies since at least the eighth century, are names for Christ taken from Scripture. There are seven of them: O Wisdom, O Lord, O Branch of Jesse, O Key of David, O Dayspring, O King of Nations, O Emmanuel. We know most of them from the Advent hymn, 'O come, O come Emmanuel'.

For your reflection this week, here is a poem about the first of the antiphons.

O Sapientia (O Wisdom)

I cannot think unless I have been thought,
Nor can I speak unless I have been spoken.
I cannot teach except as I am taught,
Or break the bread except as I am broken.
O Mind behind the mind through which I seek,
O Light within the light by which I see,
O Word beneath the words with which I speak,
O founding, unfound Wisdom, finding me,
O sounding Song whose depth is sounding me,
O Memory of time, reminding me,
My Ground of Being, always grounding me,
My Maker's Bounding Line, defining me,
Come, hidden Wisdom, come with all you bring,
Come to me now, disguised as everything.

Malcolm Guite

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 after the 10am liturgy.

SERVICES TODAY

8am EUCHARIST

President: John Baldock
Preacher: John Baldock
Reader: Penny Galbraith
Intercessor: Peter Forwood
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst.: Penny Galbraith

9.00am BREAKFAST

10am SUNG EUCHARIST

*with Commissioning of Churchwardens,
Parish Councillors and Incumbency
Committee Members*

President: John Baldock
Preacher: John Baldock
Deacon: Richard Wilson
Sub-Deacon: Geoff Vincent
Readers: John Manton, Noela Manton
Intercessor: Andrew Porter
Cantor: Janette Fly
Servers: Ross Smith (MC), Sue Banting,
Jenny Cook, Alison Asquith
Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, John Manton
For children: Please make use of activities
at the back of the church.

6.00pm EVENING WORSHIP

LECTIONS FOR THE DAY

*Malachi 3:1-4; Song of Zechariah;
Philippians 1:1-11; Luke 3:1-6*

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.

A RELAXING SUNDAY LUNCH

Sunday 16 December at 12.00noon

Fr John and Carolyn invite everyone in the parish for a relaxing Sunday lunch on 16 December at the Vicarage, 15 The Grove, Camberwell. Parishioners are asked to bring salads, wine and desserts. Main course provided. \$15 adults and teens over 16, \$5 for children 15 and under. Special kids menu. Call the Parish Office on 9882 4851 to book. Bring a friend! No, bring two or three! All are very welcome!

*Please write on the list on the noticeboard
what salads or desserts you will bring.*

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US in the Rutherford Room for lunch on Christmas Day, please speak to Robin or Keith (by 18 December and tell us what you can bring for a shared meal.

WORKING BEE: Saturday 22 December from 9.00am. Cleaning of the church and grounds and polishing silverware. Help to prepare the church for Christmas. Please bring tools.

JOURNAL: The Journal of Scripture & Prayer for December and January is available. Please take a copy.

ANGLICAN OVERSEAS AID - *An Advent Reflection*—These booklets are available on the table in the narthex. Please take a copy.

ORDINATION GIFT: Last week envelopes were distributed for parishioner contributions to an ordination gift for our former Churchwarden, Dr Wendy Crouch. If you did not receive an envelope, more are available in the narthex. Please place your contribution in the offertory bowl by next Sunday, 16 December, at the latest.

The gift will be presented to Wendy on Sunday 3 February, when she will be the preacher here at St John's. After her ordination the following Saturday, 9 February, she will become the assistant curate at St Bartholomew's, Burnley, where she has served this past year as the theological student.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE YEAR

OF LUKE: With Advent, the new Church Year has begun; it is the Year of Luke, when Luke's Gospel will provide the Gospel readings on most Sundays. Copies of a booklet introducing Luke's Gospel, written by Muriel Porter, commended by Professor Dorothy Lee, and splendidly formatted by Carolyn Simm, are now available. Please take a copy.

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

ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDARS are available for sale on Sundays or at the office during office hours—Cost \$12 each. Supporting Anglican Overseas Aid.

TMA—The Melbourne Anglican is available today—please take a copy.

TODAY, SUNDAY, Melbourne Opera is rehearsing in the church 1.30-4.30pm.

NEXT SUNDAY 16 December 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

*Zephaniah 3: 14-20; Song of Isaiah;
Philippians 4: 4-7; Luke 3: 7-18*

8.00am EUCHARIST

President: John Baldock
Preacher: John Baldock
Readers: Elisabeth Pratt, Graham Pratt
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst.: Hans Ferdinands

10.00am SUNG EUCHARIST

President: John Baldock
Preacher: John Baldock
Deacon: Richard Wilson
Sub-Deacon: Neil Nyholm
Readers: Jonathan Way, Wendy Way
Intercessor: Keith Dempster
Servers: Ross Smith (MC), Annette Holland, Ferry Hasiholan, Geoff Vincent
Euch. Assts.: Sub Deacon, Jonathan Way
For children: Please make use of activities
at the back of the church.

**Interment of the Ashes of Margaret
Cameron** follows the Sung Eucharist

12 noon SUNDAY LUNCH - at
the Vicarage (See notice page 2)

6.00pm EVENING WORSHIP

YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Winifred Saunders, Veronica McNeil, Joan Swindells, Lorna Ready, Ethel Oats, Virginia Macaleavey, Bert Hulme, Roger Ridley (Priest), and Andrew Grummet, whose anniversaries occur at this time.