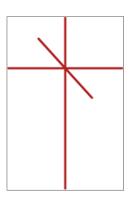
TMA—THE MELBOURNE ANGLICAN paper – December/ January issue is available in the narthex. Please take a copy.

ENVELOPES are available in the church for donations to The Christmas Bowl (Act for Peace).

THANK YOU for the wonderful response to the Anglicare Christmas Toys/Books, Gift and Food appeal.



DIARY DATES

TUESDAY 1 January—Naming & Circumcision of Jesus

12 noon Eucharist followed by lunch

SUNDAY LITURGIES at St John's.

- 8am— Eucharist
- 10am— Sung Eucharist
- 6pm— Evening Worship

MIDWEEK EUCHARISTS

12 noon on Tuesdays from January 1

MORNING & EVENING **PRAYER:** Mondays to Fridays – 9.00am and 5pm.

ARCHBISHOP PHILIP'S CHRISTMAS

MESSAGE is now available online at http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/. There are printed copies on the table in the narthex.

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ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL Advent 4 and Christmas 2018

The Annunciation

by Malcolm Guite

We see so little, stayed on surfaces,
We calculate the outsides of all things,
Preoccupied with our own purposes
We miss the shimmer of the angels' wings,
They coruscate around us in their joy
A swirl of wheels and eyes and wings unfurled,
They guard the good we purpose to destroy,
A hidden blaze of glory in God's world.
But on this day a young girl stopped to see
With open eyes and heart. She heard the voice;
The promise of His glory yet to be,
As time stood still for her to make a choice;
Gabriel knelt and not a feather stirred,
The Word himself was waiting on her word.

from Malcolm Guite, Sounding the Seasons: Seventy Sonnets for the Christian Year,
Canterbury Press, Norwich, 2012.

SERVICES

WELCOME! to this sacred space. May you find fresh encounter here with the Holy. 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.

TODAY'S SERVICES

THE ADVENT WREATH

We light the fourth candle on the Wreath

23 December 2018 Fourth Sunday in Advent

Micah 5:2-5a; Song of Mary; Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke 1: 39-45

EUCHARIST 8am Presider: John Baldock Preacher: John Baldock Reader: Bruce Sanderson Geoff Vincent Intercessor: Geoff Vincent

Euch, Asst. Geoff Vincent

Server:

SUNG EUCHARIST 10am

Presider: John Baldock Preacher: John Baldock Richard Wilson Deacon: **Sub-Deacon:** Cynthia Nyholm

Readers: Sue Banting, Brian Porter

Noela Manton Intercessor: Cantor: Muriel Porter

Neil Nyholm (MC), Robin Carter, Servers:

Sue Banting, Janice Wong

Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Janice Wong For children: Please make use of activities at the

back of the church.

MORNING TEA follows in the Rutherford Room

EVENING WORSHIP 6pm

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.

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

You are warmly invited to join us for bubbles in the narthex after the Midnight Mass.

Christmas Day - Tuesday 25 December

10.00am Sung Eucharist.

LUNCH—CHRISTMAS DAY - IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US in the Rutherford Room for lunch on Christmas Day, please speak to Robin or Keith and tell us what you can bring for a shared meal.

TUESDAY MIDDAY EUCHARISTS—

there will be no Eucharist at 12 noon on Tuesday 25 December (Christmas Day) -There is a Sung Eucharist at 10am on that day. On Tuesday 1 January there will be a Eucharist at 12 noon and this will be followed by lunch. Tuesday Midday Eucharists will continue then through January.

EUCHARIST AND CURRY: There will be no Eucharist and Curry in January. The first for 2019 will be held at 6.30pm on 6 February.

THE PARISH OFFICE is now closed, reopening at 10am on Wednesday 30 January 2019. During this time clergy are available and the office phone will be monitored.

THE CHOIR is in recess for January and will resume with choir practices in February.

THANK YOU from the Flower Guild for the donations towards the cost of Christmas Flowers.

THANK YOU to everyone at St John's for the help given to me throughout the year in the office and for many kindnesses shown. I am very appreciative. Dawn Sullivan.

THANK YOU to all at St John's for your very warm welcome this year. Your care for my husband and me means so much to us. I thank God that I have found such a loving, faith-filled community to work among, and look forward to serving you all in the year to come. We both wish God's blessings on each of vou this Christmas season. - Laura Hewitson

CONTACT—One edition for the 4 Sundays of January will be available from next Sunday. Notices for that edition must be in the office by 9am this Thursday, 28 December. Regular issues will resume for Sunday 3 February (Notices should be in the office by.

THANK YOU to all who assisted at the Working Bee yesterday.

ST GEORGE'S MALVERN SUMMER **SCHOOL:** This year the school will be held on January 15 and 16. Our own Alison Asquith will be speaking on 'Beyond looking: Orthodox Icons, Anglicans & Prayer', and Old Testament lecturer Dr Merryl Blair will speak on 'Beyond Sunday School—what is really in the Hebrew scriptures?'. Brochures are in the narthex.

NEXT SUNDAY 30 December 2018 Christmas 1

1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3: 12-17; Luke 2:41-52

8.00am **EUCHARIST** Presider: John Baldock Preacher: John Baldock Reader: Keith Dempster **Intercessor:** Hans Ferdinands Server: Hans Ferdinands Euch. Asst. Hans Ferdinands

10.00am SUNG EUCHARIST

Presider: John Baldock Preacher: John Baldock Deacon: Richard Wilson Sub-Deacon: Geoff Vincent

Readers: Don Heath, Glenis Heath

Intercessor: Neil Nvholm

Servers: Neil Nyholm (MC), Jenny Cook,

Carole Nicholls, Alison Asquith

Euch. Assts.: Sub Deacon, Carole Nicholls For children: Please make use of activities at the back of the church.

EVENING WORSHIP 6.00pm

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE BEARERS 2019:

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YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Rodney Gillam, Megan Tarry, Fenton Mattingley, Leon Moore, Edward Bradshaw, Christine Petrie, Ronald Paterson, Maisie Johnson, Helen Moore, and Marjorie Lambert, whose anniversaries occur at this time.