

FUTURE DATES

Feast of St Nicholas—Saturday 5 December at 5.00pm followed by BYO food for BBQ.

Ecumenical Advent Carols—Sunday 6 December 7.30pm at Our Lady of Victories.

Friends of St John's Community Support Group—BYO Lunch meeting 7 December 12 noon, Chapel and Dempster Room.

Advent Quiet Morning—Saturday 12 December—9am-12.30pm at St John's.

Christmas Eve

Christingle—5pm

Carols—11pm

MIDNIGHT MASS—11.30pm

Christmas Day—9am

NEW-LOOK WEBSITE: The new St John's Camberwell website is ready for launch and is coming online. While the new site takes over it may be unavailable for a short time between 1st-2nd December. The new site has a more up to date look and is mobile responsive.

ANGLICARE CHRISTMAS CARDS are for sale—available at Church on Sundays or in the office during the week. Anglicare requires unsold cards to be returned to them early, so please order/purchase yours by today.

AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDAR—2015—NOW AVAILABLE

Funds raised assist Anglican Overseas Aid—\$12 each.

IN THE PARISH

Morning & Evening Prayer will be prayed in the Chapel Monday to Friday—8.30am and 5pm respectively unless otherwise noted below.

MONDAY 30 November

1.15pm Anglicare Auxiliary meets

2.15pm Speaker: Clare Tomasov. Afternoon "high" tea will be served.

TUESDAY 1 December

9.30am Pastoral Care Meeting in Dempster Room

12 noon Eucharist in Chapel

12.35pm Staff Meeting in Dempster Room

1.15pm Staff lunch out

3.15pm Liturgy committee meets

5.30pm 'Preparing for Sunday' in the Chapel

WEDNESDAY 2 December

9.30am Little Seeds Playgroup

11.30am Eucharist in the Chapel followed by BYO lunch in Dempster Room

12.30pm Deanery Meeting elsewhere

6.30pm Communion and Curry

THURSDAY 3 December

7.30pm Choir Practice

8.00pm Thursday Study Group at Ross' home

SATURDAY 5 December—Feast of St Nicholas

8.30am Archives group in Rutherford Room

10.00am Debriefing Contemplative Community Group in Dempster Room & Chapel

5.00pm Family Chapel Service—Feast of St Nicholas, followed by dinner in Rutherford Room, BYO food for BBQ.

7.00pm Band 1 practice in Rutherford Room



CONTACT WARTA JEMAAT

ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, CAMBERWELL
First Sunday in Advent—29 November 2015

My Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! May you all be blessed in this new year of grace. As we bless the Advent Wreath and light its first candle today, may its light and its promise renew our hope and expectation in the Coming One.

As we are all subjected to the anxiety and frenzy-making forces of December's consumer extravaganza and family-religion fest, may our hope in and expectation for the Human One still our hearts and minds. As 'wars and rumours of wars' flood our newspapers, smartphones and tablets, as we 'faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world', may we catch a glimpse of the One who comes with power and great glory – the evangelical 'power and glory' which turns the world upside down, born in the lowliest of places, self-emptying Love incarnate.

Advent is such a blessed gift to us – if only we would receive its gift, allow it to stop us still for long enough for its symbols, rituals, and Scriptures to deeply enter into us. It's true, of course, that this is no small task in a culture that throws 'christmas parties' in November, that makes a plastic tree and Santa its primary symbols, and fills December with hyper-activity and shopping and triviality.

The Spiritual work of Advent begins with a willingness to stand still, 'to stand up and raise our heads', to actually see what is going on beneath the surface of life's little and big dramas. To 'look at the fig tree' and to 'see all these things taking place' – and neither blink nor lose hope - is to see with the eyes of faith, the insight of Christlikeness, the deep wisdom of the Spirit. It is coming to the knowledge of the 'kin-dom' of God at hand, near to us.

Jesus accurately diagnoses our spiritual situation: 'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness... and the anxieties of this life... lest that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap.' Try a simple Advent spiritual exercise. Go into your quiet place, and be very honest with yourself in naming your anxieties. What are these anxieties, really? Why do they have so much power over you? While you are so focussed on your anxieties, what chance have you of seeing the One who is coming?

Jesus also gives the prognosis: 'Be alert at every time, praying... standing before the Human One.' As I wrote in my annual report, not so much as 'to pray', but *to live in prayer*. To live in prayer is to penetrate beneath the surface, to see the Coming One in the depths of one-self, and the whole unfolding creation – and to find one's proper place in the 'kin-dom' of God.

I wish you all a blessed Advent.

With my love, David

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WELCOME! SELAMAT DATANG! WOMINJEKA!

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 in the Rutherford Room following the 10am liturgy, and for an evening meal following the 3pm liturgy.

TODAY EUCCHARIST

8am
Prisider: David Moore
Preacher: David Moore
Reader: Geoff Vincent
Intercessor: Keith Dempster
Server: Geoff Vincent
Eucharistic Asst.: Keith Dempster

10am SUNG EUCCHARIST

Prisider: Kuncoro Rusman
Preacher: David Moore
Deacon: David Moore
Sub-Deacon: John Manton
Readers: Glenis Heath, Don Heath
Intercessor: Andrew Porter
Cantor:
Servers: Ross Smith (MC), Alison Asquith, Sue Banting, Neicia Shaw
Eucharistic Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Neicia Shaw
Kidz@Church: Clare Tomasov, Verona Lea

3pm EUCCHARIST

Prisider: Kuncoro
Liturgis: Kuncoro
Pengkotbah: David
Pembaca Mazmur: Nora
Pembaca P Baru: Julia
Pembaca Firman: Yolanda
Pemain Musik: ICC2 Band
Setup PA Sys: ICC2 Band
Usher: Norma
Sekolah Minggu: Clare Tomasov, Holly
Konsumsi: Helena & Iesje
Petugas kebersihan: Julia, Yolanda, Chong, Nora

6pm CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE- Keith Dempster

ADVENT-CHRISTMAS-EPIPHANY RESOURCES: The seasonal guide with the 2015-16 calendar of events. Copies of this booklet and also 'Taking Advent Home' are available in the Narthex. Do you know someone who might value receiving these resources?

Also on the table: Liturgical Calendar for 2016; Formation and Education Program 2016.

TODAY'S LECTIONS

*Jeremiah 33.14-16; Psalm 25. 1-10;
1 Thessalonians 3.9-13; Luke 21. 25-38*

CONGRATULATIONS: We congratulate Kuncoro, ordained as Priest yesterday at St Paul's Cathedral, and are delighted to share in his first presiding at the Eucharist at 10am today, his second at 3pm. Many thanks to the hospitality team for yesterday's lovely celebration.

THE ANNUAL REPORT is available from the Parish Office.

OFFICE BEARERS:

WARDENS: Kerry Pratt; Noela Manton

PARISH COUNCILLORS: Wendy Crouch, Jascha Raditya Gunawan, Glenis Heath, Indra Karmawan and Julian Rait.

INCUMBENCY COMMITTEE

MEMBERS: Elisabeth Pratt, Ross Smith.

WARTA JEMAAT

1. Bagi yang pertama kali hadir beribadah disini, mohon berdiri dan memperkenalkan diri.
2. Ucapan terimakasih kepada seluruh jemaat atas doa dan dukungannya kepada Pdt Kuncoro dalam acara pentahbisannya sebagai Anglican priest minggu yang lalu.
3. Brunswick Indonesian Uniting Church mengundang kita untuk menghadiri "Perayaan Natal. Hari Minggu, 6 Desember 2015, jam 5 sore.
4. Setelah kebaktian selesai, kami mengundang seluruh jemaat, terutama yang baru pertama kali hadir, berkumpul beramah tamah dan menikmati makan bersama di Rutherford Room.

THE NEXT ANGLICARE MEETING is TOMORROW Monday, November 30 at 2.15pm in the Rutherford Room. Clare Tomasov will speak on her work with children. Clare is putting together a Christmas hamper and would appreciate donations of Christmas-type fillers. Afternoon "high" tea will be available. Please come to our last meeting of the year; all are most welcome.

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY: A new opportunity is being offered to assist us in our preparation to hear the Word in the Sunday liturgy. Tuesdays at 5.30pm in the Chapel. Flyer available in the narthex. All are welcome.

FEAST OF ST NICHOLAS: Everyone is invited to join with families to celebrate St Nicholas with a Eucharist and shared meal the Rutherford Room afterwards. **Saturday December 5** starting at the Font at 5pm. BYO food and drinks for a BBQ. **Also** please bring donations of non-perishable food to fill **LAUNDRY BASKETS** for family door prizes at Mission House—see noticeboard for ideas.

THE FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S Community Support Group BYO Lunch Meeting Monday 7 December at 12noon. We extend a warm invitation to members of our Parish who may be interested to hear about our various outreach ministry activities during the year or may like to join the group. The meeting will start with a Eucharist in the chapel at 12 noon. Lunch and meeting will start at 12.20 pm in the **Dempster Room**. Please let me know if you are attending. Liz Pratt liz@pratt.id.au

ADVENT QUIET DAY: 9am-12.30pm Saturday 12 December, at St John's. Tea and coffee provided. All are welcome. Enquiries: David Moore.

A JOURNAL of SCRIPTURE & PRAYER—Advent to Candlemas—is available at the back of the church today. Please take a copy.

NEXT SUNDAY, 6 December

Second Sunday in Advent

*Malachi 3.1-14; Song of Zechariah;
Philippians 1. 1-11; Luke 3. 1-6*

8am EUCCHARIST

Prisider: David Moore
Preacher: David Moore
Reader: Keith Dempster
Intercessor: Hans Ferdinands
Server: Hans Ferdinands
Euch. Asst.: Hans Ferdinands

9.30am HEALING MINISTRY

10am SUNG EUCCHARIST with *Commissioning of Wardens, Parish Council and Incumbency Committee*

Prisider: Kuncoro Rusman
Preacher: David Moore
Deacon: David Moore
Sub-Deacon: John Manton
Readers: Jenny Cook, Adrienne Bolch
Intercessor: Muriel Porter
Servers: Geoff Vincent (MC), Jenny Cook, Robin Carter, James Moorhouse
Euch. Assts.: Sub-Deacon, Carole Nicholls
Kidz@Church: Clare Tomasov

3pm LITURGY OF THE WORD

with Commissioning of Wardens, Parish Council and Incumbency Committee

Prisider: Kuncoro
Liturgis: Kuncoro
Pengkotbah: Kuncoro
Pembaca Mazmur: Bwee
Pembaca P Baru : Norma
Pembaca Firman: Indra
Pemain Musik: ICC Band
Setup PA Sys: ICC Band
Usher: Rama
Sekolah Minggu: Mun
Konsumsi: Norma & Yolanda
Petugas kebersihan: Indra, Radit, Cliff, Yoke

6pm CONTEMPLATIVE SERVICE- Keith Dempster

YEAR'S MIND: We remember before God, Frank Woods (Bishop), Joyce Paterson, Walter Oxley, Landells Bob Summerbell, Marjorie Beaumont, Ian Winter Ashton, and Mavis Fowler, whose anniversaries occur at this time.