

THE CHRISTMAS BOWL APPEAL

Each year leading up to Christmas, we support the Christmas appeal for Act For Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches. Donations will help with many different aid and development projects in impoverished countries around the world. Envelopes are now available in our churches and can be returned via the collection plate over Christmas and New Year. The Christmas Bowl appeal has been running since 1949. You can learn more at:

<https://www.actforpeace.org.au/Christmas-Bowl>



PARISH FOOD CUPBOARD -

OUR CUPBOARD IS ALMOST BARE!

Please consider donating to our food cupboard. We are giving out 10 to 12 parcels each week and, as the Christmas season begins, the demand increases. **Items can be brought to Sunday services or to the Parish Office during open hours 9am - 3pm Tuesday-Friday. Cash donations are also appreciated. Thank you.**



BECOME A VOLUNTEER ...

... contact the Parish Office:
Ph 8295 2382

or glenang@bigpond.net.au
to find out more about becoming
a volunteer Aged Care visitor



Can we help? Contact Prayer People through:
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THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF GLENELG

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Welcome to
The Anglican Parish of Glenelg
A vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community
growing in faith and love

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 1ST DECEMBER 2019 THEME: BEING READY

Reflection

Today the season of Advent begins - a season to make ourselves ready spiritually to receive the birth of Christ. What does that mean? Isn't it just another Christmas? I think all of us are aware that this becomes a busy time of year and there is much to do before the Christmas deadline. In this context the advice of St Paul and St Matthew becomes very helpful. As St Paul says "*now is the moment for you to wake from sleep*" and St Matthew writes "*keep awake*". I take from this an invitation not to miss the signs of God in this season. Not to miss the invitation to ponder again the immensity of the incarnation. To reflect on the way God chooses to act in the world through the birth of Christ.

As we go through the process of getting ready - lighting the Advent wreath, opening advent calendars, putting up trees and decorations, buying presents and stocking the freezer, may each of these physical actions of getting ready remind us of the spiritual meaning behind it all - that Christ is born for us. Jesus is Emmanuel, God with us, born in poverty and humility, enfleshed in our human experience, that our human lives may be tinged with the divine presence and find meaning and transformation.

May you have a blessed Advent season

***God of Hope,
bless our Advent journey,
strengthen our faith,
secure our bonds,
and enliven our imagination
for a better world. Amen.***



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Welcome to Worship

Please join us for morning tea after all services today

Today's Services

Follow the service on Page 119 of the Prayer Book or on the power-point screen at the 10am service.

St Peter's

7:45am **Holy Eucharist**

Celebrant : Andrew

Preacher: Margaret

10:00am **JAM Family Worship**

Celebrant : Michele

Kids Talk: Andrew



St Martin's

8.45 am **Holy Eucharist**

Celebrant & Preacher: Margaret

A prayer for Advent

*God of Love, your son, Jesus,
is your greatest gift to us.*

He is a sign of your love.

*Help us walk in that love
during the weeks of Advent,*

as we wait and prepare for his coming.

*We pray in the name
of Jesus, our Saviour. Amen.*

Next Week: 8th December First Sunday of Advent

Theme: Prepare the Way

Isaiah 11:1-10

Psalms 72:1-7

Romans 15:1-7

Matthew 3:1-6



This week:

Wednesday 4th December

10.00am Playgroup

2.15pm - Allambi Aged Care Eucharist

7.30pm - OASIS Body Shop Evening

Thursday 5th December

10.00am Eucharist followed by Morning Tea

2.00pm - Charles Young Aged Care Eucharist

Sunday 8th December

10.00am - Confirmation Service at St Peter's

5pm - Parish / SPW Carol Service

Diary Dates - 2019

Wednesday 11th December

5pm - Finance meeting

Friday 13th December

6pm Youth Group - End of Year BBQ

Saturday 14th December

10.00am- 2.00pm

GLENELG MARKET IN THE SQUARE ★

Tuesday 17th December

7:30pm - Parish Council at the Rectory

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Tuesday 24th December—Christmas Eve

6:30pm Families Nativity Service

10:30pm Midnight Mass at St Peter's

Wednesday 25th December—Christmas Day

9:00am - Christmas Sung Eucharist (St Peter's)

8:45am —Christmas service (St Martin's)

NB No Thursday Service on 26th December



NOTES AND NEWS

WELCOME to everybody attending worship today. Please join us for morning tea.

OASIS EVENT

Body Shop Evening with Tammy!

A special OASIS event for all the women of the Parish. Wednesday this week, 4 December at 7.30pm in The Parish Community Centre

Our very own Tammy Otto will be hosting a Body Shop evening to showcase their beautiful products, including their Christmas range.

To support the Parish's donations for our *Anglicare Christmas Tree*, we invite you to use this evening as an opportunity to purchase an item or two to place under the tree to be given to someone in time for Christmas.

Please join us for a wonderful night of pampering and discovering all the latest goodies from The Body Shop!

Please could regular OASIS members bring a plate to share for supper.

ARCHBISHOP'S VISIT

We look forward to the Archbishop visiting next **Sunday 8th December** at our 10am service. Please pray for Shuang, Richard, Mollie, Olivia, Reilly and Sarah who will be Confirmed and for Amaya, Nahla, Harriet and Emily who will be admitted to Communion. Please come along and support these members of our parish family. We plan for the service to finish at 11:15am as usual.

CAROL SERVICE—5pm next Sunday 8th Dec.

We will hold our combined Parish / School Carol service on Sunday 8th December at 5pm featuring carols, prayers and nativity play. Please support this wonderful event.

DONATIONS FOR WENDY'S GIFT

If you would like to donate towards a retirement gift for Wendy. Please place in an envelope in the collection plate marked "Wendy's gift" by Sunday 15th Dec.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR ANGLICARE

Today begins our Anglicare Christmas collection. Donated gifts of toys, games, books, stationery items, toiletries, or appropriate non-perishable Christmas food items may be placed under the tree at St Peter's.

PLEASE DO NOT WRAP THE GIFTS,

As often as possible, Anglicare offers their clients the opportunity to select their gifts so, the donation of the Christmas wrapping paper would also be appreciated.

Final collection day: Sunday 15th December.



POSITION VACANT

PARISH ADMIN. OFFICER AND COMMUNITY VISITOR SCHEME CO-ORDINATOR

Our parish is seeking someone to fulfill this job role in the parish 20 hours / week (Tues -Fri) commencing 28th January 2020. Please see the parish website for full Job Description and let anyone you think may be interested and appropriate know about it. Please continue to pray for our parish, that the right person is found for this vital ministry.



GLENELG MARKET on TORRENS SQUARE

**SATURDAY
14th DECEMBER
10am - 2pm**

with a Touch of Christmas!



HELPERS NEEDED: Please add your name to a roster at the Parish Office.

If you would like to participate as a stall-holder or a helper, please contact Henry Schafing, 0431 297 529 or check the registration details on our website:
www.glenelganglican.org.au

Transport to and from St Peter's or St Martin's is available by private vehicles. If you can assist with transportation by bringing someone to church please contact the Parish Office.