



The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

A vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community
growing in faith and love

Weekly News and Pew Sheet

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2020

WORSHIP THEME: RESHAPE, RECLAIM, REMEMBER

Parish Priest's Message

On Thursday I asked the students in school chapel if the word **Advent** reminded them of another word. A couple of guesses later a student replied: "**Adventure!**" In actual fact the two words Advent and Adventure may not be philologically connected but we can certainly connect them theologically.

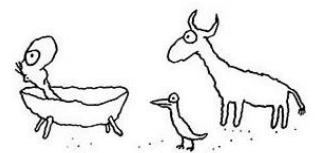


Both words connect to Old French words, '*advent*' meaning arrival and '*aventure*' meaning to chance something or to take a risk or a venture. Of course we generally think of Advent being a season to prepare for Christ's *arrival*, whilst also reflecting on the readings that assure us that Christ will arrive again one day. But there is also a sense of *adventure* about all of this as well. Certainly God takes a risk in the vulnerable birth of Christ. Mary and Joseph take many risks to protect Jesus, and the magi certainly venture a lot to go on their adventure to find the infant king.

Nearer to home, for us, we are being called on an *adventure* into a new liturgical year for the church. We wonder what the next twelve months will hold for us and our world. We wonder how the incarnation can speak to our world suffering under pandemic and economic strain.

There's a Michael Leunig prayer that seems especially appropriate this year. It reminds us of the power, truth and hope of the incarnation. Reminding us that *Advent* is always an *adventure*, and a risky one at that. But God is with us on this journey as we step into this season and into this new liturgical year with hope, peace, joy and love.

Love is born
With a dark and troubled face.
When hope is dead
And in the most unlikely place
Love is born,
Love is always born.



Fr Andrew

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Worship Resources for Advent 1

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

And also with you.

Heaven and earth will pass away,' says the Lord,
'but my words will not pass away.'

Mark 13.31

God of Abraham and Sarah, and all the patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of David. Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth to make our hearts ready for your Holy Spirit to make his home among us. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the light who is coming into the world. **Amen.**

**Lord Jesus, light of the world,
born in David's city of Bethlehem,
born like him to be a king:
be born in our hearts at Christmas,
be King of our lives today. Amen.**



The First Candle is lit

(hymn TIS 289)

**Christmas is coming the church is glad to sing
And let the Advent candles brightly burn in a ring
*The first is for God's promise to put the wrong things right,
And bring to earth's darkness the hope of love and light. (repeat chorus)***

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness

Heavenly Father, you have created a universe of light:
forgive us when we return to darkness.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world:
cleanse and heal our blinded sight.
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, you give us light in our hearts:
renew us in faith and love.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**



Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayer of the day

Eternal God, through long generations you prepared a way for the coming of your Son, and by your Spirit you still bring light to illumine our paths: renew us in faith and hope that we may welcome Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love; to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

First Reading

Isaiah 64:1-9

A reading from the book of Isaiah

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;

we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity for ever.
Now consider, we are all your people.
Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



Psalm 80.1-7, 17-19 A.P.B.A.page 307

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that led Joseph like a flock:
you that are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine out in glory;
- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh:
stir up your power, and come to save us.
- 3 *Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:*
show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O Lord God of hosts:
how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears:
and given them tears to drink in good measure.
- 6 You have made us the victim of our neighbours:
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 *Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:*
show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 17 Let your power rest on the man at your right hand:
on that son of man whom you made so strong for yourself.
- 18 And so we shall not turn back from you:
give us life, and we will call upon your name.
- 19 *Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:*
show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians

My brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any

spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 13:24-37

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus said to his disciples: 'But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Next Sundays' Readings

Second Sunday of Advent: Remind, Reveal, Reinforce

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

This Week

Sun 29th Nov	7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's & SundayKids 5:00pm War Memorial Chapel Anniversary postponed til 2021
Wed 2nd Dec	10:00am Playgroup resumes 7:30pm Wedding rehearsal at St Peter's
Thu 3rd Dec	10:00am Eucharist in the Chapel 7:30pm Advent Bible Study
Sat 5th Dec	9:00am JAM Practice at rectory 2:00pm Wedding at St Peter's
Sun 6th Dec	7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am JAM Eucharist & Baptism at St Peter's



PARISH NOTICES

~~100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR MEMORIAL CHAPEL OF ST MICHAEL~~

This service has been postponed until some time in 2021. Thank you for all those who have shown interest in the event. We look forward to doing it justice when restrictions allow.

SUNDAY KIDS NATIVITY REHEARSALS

Sunday Kids resumes this Sunday with nativity rehearsals.

~~SPW CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN – FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 6-8PM~~

Whilst there was some hope of rescheduling this event it has now been cancelled. Children's performances will be recorded for the school community.

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY WITH MICHELE CONTINUES

Please speak to Michele if you would like a copy of the Advent study "Walking Backwards to Christmas" by Stephen Cottrell. The Study group meets on Thursday evenings either in person or by ZOOM or you can just read the book in your own time.

ANGLICARE COLLECTION UNTIL SUNDAY 13TH DECEMBER

Over the next few Sundays we will be collecting items under the church Christmas Trees (St Peter's and St Martin's) for Anglicare Christmas Hampers.

Non-perishable foods such as canned fruit, canned vegetables, canned ham, long life milk, pasta and cereals are all appropriate as well as specific Christmas foods like Christmas Cakes, puddings, mince pies, long life custard, lollies, biscuits, chips and shortbread.

Christmas gift ideas include: Footballs, basketballs or soccer balls; Tennis and cricket sets; Lego for both boys and girls; Cars, planes, trains; Construction sets; Board games, jigsaws; Dolls, prams, cradles, teas sets; Arts and craft sets; Batteries for children's toys (AAA, AA, C, D size, 9 Volt); Books, Educational toys; Back to school kits; pencils, pencil cases, back packs; Musical instruments; Remote control toys; Make up kits, nail polish kits. Gifts for adults are also well received.



GREETINGS AND NEWS FROM THE PILGRIMS

One of the unexpected benefits of the Pandemic has been that we now make a more concerted effort to connect regularly with our extended parish family interstate and round the world via emailed pew sheets and Facebook posts. Here is a message from the Pilgrims in England.

Hello Fr. Andrew, week by week, Julia and I receive your weekly pew sheet notes for which we thank you. We are sorry to hear about the present Covid complications and how it is affecting the ministry at St Peter's. We are of course, in the same boat, in that respect. We pray that you will come out of it soon and indeed, a global answer in the form of vaccines, can be available as soon as possible.

Julia and I genuinely miss St Peter's and all your company therein. You are such an inclusive and welcoming church. We will not be with you next year. Possibly, hopefully, we will turn up out of the blue, in 2022. Meanwhile, stay healthy. Please extend our love and best wishes to your family and the church family at large, including, Michele, Joan, Vi, John and Barbara.

God Bless, David and Julia Pilgrim.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the parish office and private prayers can also be offered by contacting the Parish Prayer People.



Can we help? Contact Prayer People through:
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St Martin's; see Sandy Anderson



Kingsley Oakley, Kel Pittman, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Nicole Cain, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Daniel Roach, Nicky Heal, Tim Went, Beryl Nash, Tony Tamblyn, Sarah, Yvonne Thomas, Samuel, Peter Fenech, Trevor Marker and Hewina Jackson RIP Jim Morley

OUR PARISH'S COVID SAFE PLAN

In compliance with our COVID Safe plan we continue to request: -

attendance records for all services;

maximum attendance at St Martin's 20 plus officiants

Maximum attendance at St Peter's 100 plus officiants

physical distancing of at least 1.5metres;

no hand-shaking for greeting of peace;

not passing the collection plate

(but please use it when you come forward for communion);

having communion with bread only;

No self-service food and drinks or shared utensils

(your morning tea will be joyfully made for you).

Copies of our current COVID safe plan are displayed in the foyer of both our churches.

Let's continue to be a
COVIDSAFE
church

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