# The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

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





# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY - 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022 THEME: GET READY IN LOVE

If you are visiting or new to our parish, please see the Welcome section on the back of this pew sheet

### **ADVENT WREATH LITURGY**

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Isaiah said that the Lord spoke to the king and said, "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven" (Isaiah 7:11). But when the king refused, God would not be stopped. "Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young



woman is with child and shall bear a son and shall name him Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14).

God wants us to experience the divine presence, even when at times we aren't sure ourselves.

Lord, as you send us signs every day;
may we keep our eyes and hearts open to see you.

"Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel," which means, 'God is with us.'" When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took Mary as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus (Matthew 1:23-25).

We light these candles, the candle of joyous hope, of proclaimed peace, of deep everlasting joy, and today of the presence that speaks of love, as a sign that no matter our circumstance, we know we are not alone.

Light all four candles of the Advent wreath.

Ch. Christmas is coming the church is glad to sing
And let the Advent candles brightly burn in a ring
The fourth is for the Virgin, who mothered God's own son
And sang how God's justice was meant for everyone.

### Prayer of the day

Gracious God,
you chose the virgin Mary, by your grace,
to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour:
so fill us with your grace,
that with her we may rejoice in your salvation,
and in all things embrace your will;
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns
with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 



First Reading Isaiah 7:10-16

### A reading from the Prophet Isaiah

Again the Lord spoke to Ahaz, saying, Ask a sign of the Lord your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, and I will not put the Lord to the test. Then Isaiah said: 'Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary mortals, that you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel. He shall eat curds and honey by the time he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 80.1-7, 17-19

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Would the congregation please respond with the words in bold print

- 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**

Romans 1: 1-7

### A reading from the book of Romans

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, to all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia.

A virgin will give birth to a son; his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us.

Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 1:18-25

★ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly.

But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to



name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'

All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet:

'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.'

When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

### The Gospel of the Lord

### Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Next Sunday: 24/25<sup>th</sup> December (Christmas)
Theme: Christ is Born

Isaiah 9:2-7 Canticle – John 1:1-5; 10 -14,16 Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2:1-20

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM AND FOR OUR PARISH

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the clergy or parish office. Confidential prayers can also be offered by the clergy and a small prayer group.



Kingsley Oakley, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Yvonne Thomas, Samuel, Di Besson, Paris D'Souza, Joanna Muspratt, Jennifer Elbe, Andrea, Barbara Morris, Clarissa Dalton, John, Sophie, Beatrice, Peta, Maria Pulkinnen and Andrew

### **Christmas Service Times 2022**

### ST PETER'S

### Christmas Eve – Saturday 24th December

6:30pm Children and Families Nativity Service 10:30pm "Midnight Mass" with Carol Singing and Sung Eucharist

### Christmas Day – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December 9:00am – Sung Holy Eucharist with Carols

### **Parish Office closure**

The office will be closed from 2:30pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> December to Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January. There will be no Thursday communion service 29<sup>th</sup> December and 5<sup>th</sup> January.



### ST MARTIN'S

Christmas Day – Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December 8:45am – Holy Communion with Carols

### **PARISH CALENDAR**

Sunday 18th 7:45am Eucharist at St Peter's

8:45am Healing Service at St Martin's

10:00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's (with have-a-go singers)

7:30pm Kapelle Singers concert at St. Peter's

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> 1:30 – 3:30pm Wellbeing Class and afternoon tea
 Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00am Eucharist in St Michael's Chapel, St Peter's
 Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> 2:30pm Parish Office closes until 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023
 Sat 24<sup>th</sup> 6: 30pm Children and Families' Nativity service

10:30pm Sung Holy Eucharist with carols

Sun 25<sup>th</sup> 8:45am Holy Communion with carols, St. Martin's

9:00am Holy Communion with carols, St. Peter's

Office closed this week - no Thursday service 29th Dec.

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 7:45am Eucharist at St Peter's

8:45am Eucharist at St Martin's

**10:00am Eucharist at St Peter's** (No mass setting in January)

Office closed this week – no Thursday service 5<sup>th</sup> Jan



### **PARISH NOTICES**

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council meets this Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 7:30pm. Please note that we will meet in the Community Centre not the rectory due to the forecast heat.

### **NATIVITY SERVICE PRACTICE TIMES**

There will be a rehearsal this **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December** during the Sunday Kids time in the Community Centre.

On **Saturday 24**<sup>th</sup> **December (Christmas Eve)** could children arrive for a full, dress rehearsal at 4pm Christmas Eve ready to start practicing at 4:15. They will practice in the church firstly by themselves and then a run through with the musicians at 5:00pm.

We will provide a Pizza tea in the community centre at around 5:45pm and then be ready for the service to start at 6:30pm. Please speak to Lorna if you want to be involved but haven't put your name forward yet.

### PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS CLOSURE AND CLERGY AVAILABILITY

Please note the parish office will be closed from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December and will re-open to the public on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January. If you require access please contact the clergy.

### **CLERGY AVAILABILITY AFTER CHRISTMAS**

Rev Andrew will be available through to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January and then will be leave until the 18<sup>th</sup> January. Rev Michele will be available from 3<sup>rd</sup> January onwards. Please also note that there will be no Thursday services on 29<sup>th</sup> December and 5<sup>th</sup> January.

### THURSDAY CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The Thursday service this week will be the last for the year and will feature a Christmas theme. We will sing a couple of carols and also have a festive morning tea afterwards. For parishioners who are away for Christmas this would be a good option to attend for your Christmas worship.



### **PGP SUMMARIES**

Those who give through the parish planned giving program. Your annual summary  $(1^{st} \text{ Nov} - 31^{st} \text{ Oct})$  is available to be picked up at church.

### CHRISTMAS BOWL ENVELOPES





One of the most important ecumenical activities of the Christian churches in Australia is the Christmas Bowl appeal. This annual appeal has been going since 1949 and is the Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international humanitarian agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. Envelopes were distributed in the pew sheet last Sunday. You can still return them either through the collection plate or post them direct - remembering to include your home church name on the information slip.

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT – SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 7:30PM

We are delighted that the Kapelle Singers will be offering a Christmas Concert at St Peter's this Advent. You can see details in the below advertisement. The Concert will also feature carols for the audience to sing along with.

## The trybooking link is <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CESJB">www.trybooking.com/CESJB</a>

Some tickets will also be available at the door. There are flyers available to share with family and friends, or please share the link and info on your social media.

# Presents Carols in Concert at St Peter's Church, Glenelg Featuring James Whitbourn's magnificent MISSA CAROLAE for missel voices, organ and piccolo; Christmas favourites from around the world; traditional audience carol singing; and complementary light refreshments Guest Director Georgie Simmons with Stephen van der Hoek (organ) and Melanie Walters (piccolo) Sunday 18 December: 7.30 St Peter's Anglican Church Torrens Square, Glenelg Book through Trybooking \$20 full/\$15 conc. 14 years and under, free. Some tickets available at church door Ticket price and donations will help support Kapelle, St Peters, and the Christmas Bowl Appeal

It's always great to welcome visitors to our churches at St Peter's, Glenelg and St Martin's, Glenelg South.

At **7:45am** (St Peter's) you will need this news sheet and a green prayerbook (p.119). At **8:45am** (St Martin's) you will be greeted with a news sheet, prayer & hymnbooks to use. At **10am** (St Peter's) you only need this news sheet as the service is on the powerpoint screen.



Feel free to sit anywhere - there are no specially reserved seats.

Toilets are located, at St Peter's, along the passageway, under the projector screen. At St Martin's, they are in the corridor adjacent to the worship space.

Feel free to join in with all aspects of worship as you feel comfortable. Please be aware that visitors are warmly welcome to receive communion with us.

We love to meet new people so you are very welcome to stay for a cuppa after the service, but don't feel bad if you need to get away - there's always next time.

We hope you find inspiration and blessing in your time spent here.

### **DONATING TO OUR PARISH**

**Regular Planned Giving** can be directed to Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-077 Account Number 00041211 (please use your surname and initial SMITHJ PGP).

One off/occasional donations, that are separate to regular PGP, can be made to Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033

Heritage Conservation Fund (tax deductible): Ensure the donation is designated for The Anglican Parish of St Peters Glenelg. <a href="https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa">https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa</a>

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The Anglican Parish of Glenelg acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kaurna people living today.